## arents bring 51 'kidnap' ipils back to Rhodesia

ed parents left Botswana last night and to Rhodesia after persuading only 51 of k mission pupils, whom Mr Ian Smith were kidnapped at gunpoint, to come

nvoy of near-empty buses pulled away, ining 331 boys and girls went back to ip and to probable eventual enlistment

## stay in Botswana train as guerrillas

black Rhodesian ls to return home

the war against a mission school in ssed into Botswana after guerrillas mission Botswana, zed the meetings

mothers and often there today, says in came across thodesia says they ed ar gunpoint. think I will ever in", Mr Samson twayo clerk, said veer-old daughter

ted to stay. His d up the anguish derment of many ents brought here. xpected my child ?", Mr Nare said. very happy. I do

Is aged 13 to 16. Cided to stay did ve goodbye as the eight half-empry heir parents on

Mr Ian Smith, the ime Minister, said that some of the t have crossed the tarily but " we are the vast mass

25 of the pupils reir own decision. banners with We are at s" and "We know sent by Smith to

this hot, dusty children were the camp to the District Governor e interviews with . Sometimes, a her would appear

m, Botswana, Feb with a child. Mostly, the

Mr Timothy Sithole emerged with his arms round two daughters but said his son Danny, aged 16, had decided to stay because he feared other

One of his daughters, Know ledge, aged 15, described what happened just a week ago at the lonely mission school. "It was decided at our school that we must go", she said. "We came with the teachers. We came herause that the teachers. came because they forced us. The teachers led us across. I didn't see any guns, I am happy to be going back."

Mr Sithole said his daughters

told him they had not gone willingly. They had been forced to leave. The procession went on

been seen by their parents or other relations who came on the buses laid on by the Rho-desian Government, Several of the parents were in tears as they left. More than 400 children ori-

ginally crossed the frontier. But 26 boys returned saying they had escaped and officials said two other boys left for home yesterday. The departure of 51 children today leaves 331

Bulawayo: When I talked to the parents in Bulawayo yesterday they were all convinced that they could persuade the children to return and that they were forcibly abducted. Today those same parents who have failed to bring their children porters here that back are shattered and be-

There is no better day by the Botswana police a charged with attempting to bring a weapon illegally into the country. A rifle was found in the boot of their car. When escort two had clearly taken a beating.

Photograph, page 4

## s in Brittany herald lent Giscard's tour

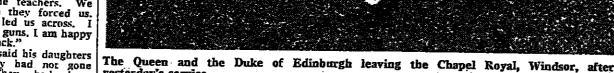
attacks were car-, by militants of Liberation Front aw attention to for home rule President Giscard .vo-day visit to

the target was bombs went off tes' interval, ru-if their hinges, every window in was injured by

windows at the administrative offices of the town, A letter from the FLB was found, chim-

> in the past three months.
> The President's visit is being boycotted by all regionalist groups and by folklore associations, and the unions are planning demonstrations and strikes. The fishermen of south Brittany will stop work for 24 hours tomorrow. They will also stage where the President is due to meet local leaders

two-day visit will be the first of a series of trips by the away at Redon of a series of trips by blew out all the President to the provinces.



By Penny Symon

beth the Queen Mother, Prin-

nublic were allowed in, but a

small crowd gathered at the

For the family it was a day

of thanksgiving and rejoicing,

but it was also one of sad memories, for the anniversary

that of the death of King

One of the events marking

yesterday's anniversary was the publication in the Sunday Mirror of an article by the Duke of Tdinburgh. In it, he

said that Britain's situation was

a subering experience for all who came out of the war with

high hopes and boundless

frightening increases in central

and local government costs, and

the embarrassing situation of

having to borrow large sums of

money from other nations are

not the most auspicious circum-

"Yet it may well be that this

experience is what we needed to

bring us all back to a greater

In common with everyone else, he suid, the Queen and he had been affected by inflation,

and had to distinguish when looking for ways to reduce costs between those things that

costs between those things that people might feel were tradi-

sease of reality".

her reign.

gates

George VI.

enthusiasm.

throughout the afternoon. Finally, about 200 children had

still here.—Reuter. Richard Cecil writes from

wildered.

Three Rhodesian television journalists were arrested yesterthey were trying to film the they reached Francistown under

ing responsibility.

There have now been seven

bomb attacks by the autonomists According to the Elysée Palace, M Giscard d'Estaing's

The Queen, with many members of the Royal Family, attended morning service at the Royal Chapel in Windsor Great 7, 1952 From The Times of Thursday, Feb. 7, 1952 Park yesterday to commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of Death of the King

It is with profound regret that we autounce the death of the King Among the royal party were the Duke of Edinburgh and the Prince of Wales, Queen Elizaautounce the death of the King at Sandringham early yesterday. The following statement was issued from Buckingham Palace: It was ann unced from Saidringham at 10.45 am today, February 6, 1952, that the King who retired to rest last uight in his usual health passed peacefully away in his sleep early this morning. The Duke of Edinburgh broke cess Margaret, Princess Anne and Prince Edward. Prince Andrew is at school in Canada. The chapel, decorated with azaleas and spring flowers, was packed with people from the inz. The Duke of Edinburgh broke the news to the new Queen in Kenya. After hurried preparations had been made they flew from the little landing ground near Nyerf to Entebbe. Uganda, to join their afrliner Atalanta. A tropical storm delayed their departure from Entebbe for two hours. They left just before midnight (8.47 pm GMT) and are expected to reach London at 4.30 pm today. The Queen and Princess Margaret were at Sandringham when the King died. His Majesty had been out shooting on the previous day. royal estate. No members of the Aing died. His Majesty had been out shooting on the previous day. The Accession Council at a brief meeting at 5 pm yesterday signed the proclamation of Queen Elizabeth II. There will be another meeting after the new Queen's return when she will address the Privy Council. The public proclamation will be made tomorrow.

Day of thanksgiving mixed with

sad memories for the Queen

those things that were out of

"High rates of unemploy those ment, falling living standards touch for many, falling exports, debuts l'resentation parties debutantes were an early and not much regrened casualty. Garden parties were, on the other hand, increased in size and number. All but state occasions were drastically simplified, and we developed new stances for a jubilee year", be parterns of entertainment". Elsewhere, however, the issue

of royal finances angered several Labour MPs. They had learnt that the Queen's Civil List allowance had been increased last year by £265,000. A Treasury spokesman said that that took her allowance from £1.4m to £1,665,000, and other members of the Royal Family had also received extra money. might feel were tradiworth preserving and ceives £140,000, compared with

£95,000 in 1975; the Duke of Edioburgh £85,000, instead of £65,000; Princess Anne £45,000, instead of £35,000; Princess Margaret £50,000, compared with £35,000; and Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester £25,000, instead of £70,000 instead of £20,000.

The Treasury said that most of the increases would be spent on improving wages in the royal

Until two years ago increases in royal allowances were scrutinized by a Commons select committee. The rules were changed under the Civil List Act, 1975, and the Treasury now supplements the royal in-come to take account of inflation and prevent embarrassing public arguments.

Mr Arthur Latham, Labour MP for the City of Westminster, Paddington, said vesterday that there would be a demand for a return to the old system of exemining the accounts at regular intervals. "We had no idea that an increase of this nature would be slipped through at a time of public expenditure cuts, and when we are about to embark on a round of talks

on pay restraint", he said. Mr Latham added that h wanted to raise the matter in the Commons, but there was uncertainty as to the best way to do it because it seemed that Parliament no longer had a great deal of say in the matter.

The increases were defended, however, by other MPs, among them Mr John Stokes, Conservative member for Halesowen and Stourbridge, who said that the royal family were doing a magnificant. magnificent job and those who quibbled were probably worth very much less than they themselves were earnings from public funds.

Laureate criticized: The hymn written by Sir John Betjeman, Poet Laureate, to celebrate the Queen's silver jubilee was described yesterday as "banal" by an MP who promised to do tter himself (the Press sociation reports). better

## takes up vaccination complaints

The cases of four children who are said to have suffered brain damage after whooping cough vaccinations are to be investigated by Sir Idwal Pugh, the Health Service Commissional Combustional ner (Ombudsman).
The announcement vesterday

came two days before Mr Ennals. Secretary of State for Social Services, is due to make

Social Services, is due to make a full statement on vaccination to the House of Commons.

Sir Idwal's intervention was reported by Mr Jack Ashley, Labour MP for Stoke-on-Trent, South, who has led a parents' campaign. In a letter to Mr Ashley Sir Idwal said be had decided that the complaint, which was made on behalf of parents of four children who belong to the Association of Parents of Vaccine Damaged Children, lay within his jurisdiction.

jurisdiction.

Sir Idwal gave a warning that if any of the parents whose complaints he is investigating took legal action he would have to consider very carefully whether to continue. But Mrs whether to continue. But with Rosemary Fox, secretary of the parents' association, said yester-day that none of the parents would take action while the investigation was in progress.

The Ombudsman's letter said: The complaint that I shall be investigating is the following: That the parents concerned gave their consent to the immu-nization of their children in ignorance of the risks to which this might be exposing them, and that this ignorance was caused by the failure of the Department of Health and Social Security to make available to those parents informa-tion about all the factors which they should have taken into account before they gave that

Mrs Fox said: "I am very pleased that the Ombudsman has taken this step. This is the biggest breakthrough so far." The parents of the 340 brain-damaged children who belong to the association are not expected to gain further comfort from Mr Ennals's statement

On compensation, Mr Ennals is most unlikely to depart from his previous line that the Goveroment must wait for the report of the Royal Commission on Civil Liabilities, under Lord Pearson, which is studying the question of vaccine-damage. Mr Ennals is likely to try to ensure that the risks to children

are cut to a minimum by making doctors and parents more aware of the conditions that indicate that a child should not be vaccinated.

Mr Ashley said yesterday that he would not be satisfied

if Mr Ennals stated merely that he must wait for the Pear-son report. "Mr Ennals has got a very clear obligation to compensation on Tuesday", he

## Ombudsman Lady Falkender wrote out honours list, Haines book claims

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The controversial resignation Honours list defended by Sir Harold Wilson last year was almost entirely drawn up by Lady Falkender, his private and personal secretary, according to an article in today's Daily Misser.

an article in today's Daily Mirror.

The article is based on the contents of a book by Mr Joe Haines. Sir Harold's former press secretary. The book is called The Politics of Power, and is to be published next week. The Daily Mirror will be serializing it, and today's edition contains five pages based on the contents.

contents.
Sir Harold resigned in March from some over some of the people in his Resignation Honours list. Many were from the world of entertainment. Sir Harold strongly defended the

ist.

But according to Mr Haines the list of 42, was drawn up by Lady Falkender in her own handwriting.

The Daily Mirror quotes the following from Mr Haines's book: The list from which Sir Harold prepared his own list was Lady Falkender's written out in her own hand on the latender-coloured notepaper she often used.

"It was that list, with a few deletions and a few additions in the Prime Minister's hand writing, which the principal pri-

in the Prime Minister's hand-writing, which the principal pri-vate secretary used when he set in motion the inquiries and procedures which are always followed before a submission is made to the Queen,

"In the event, some of the names added by Sir Harold improved the quality of the list, has the substantial majority of

but the substantial majority of the knights and the peers who were in the published list, were those originally proposed by Lady Falkender. "The fact is that almost

every person on the upper slopes of the list was as well known to Lady Falkender as to the Prime Minister himself. Some of them were undoubtedly better known to her than to him.

The honours list was published on May 27. There were 42 names on it including nine Lew Grade, Sir Bernard Delfont, Sir Joseph Kagan and Sir George Weidenfeld.

Among those receiving knighthoods were Mr Stanley

Baker and Mr John Mills, the actors, and Mr James Gold-smith, Miss Peggy Field, sister of Lady Falkender, was created

A week before the announcement an inquiry into the leak-ing of the list whose contents had been widely speculated been widely speculated make a specific commitment to under Sir Philip Allen, a retired permanent secretary at the Home Office. Later Mr Cal-

The statement said that part of the 1976 barvest was put in casks which had been used in

the two previous years. But some were imperfectly steri-

lized. As a result, 107 casks had

acidity" while the wine put in 220 new casks had the

characteristics of a great

acquired an abnormal volatile



Mr Joe Haines: Allegations

laghan, as Prime Minister announced that the source of the leak had not been discov-

After the list was officially announced, Mr Sydney Bidwell, Labour MP for Ealing, Southall, and a former chairman of the Tribune Group, said: "The names on the list have nothing to do with the promotion of socialism which is what the Labour Party and the Labour Congruency misthe Labour Government mis-sion is supposed to be about."

In June 2, Sir Harold took

the unprecedented step of issuing a statement to "nail the liars". He ortacked the "orchestrated vendents" "orchestrated vendetto" against the list, insisting that it was his and his alone. He said: In view of deliberate misrepresentations and a compaign of innuendo and personalities which have followed the publication of the resignation hon-ours list, I have decided to

break with precedent."

He added: "The Est was mine, and mine from the beginning. Whether any individual names are criticized or supported I take full responsibility for each and for all of them. I still have the original names, substantially as published written down by myself after consupltation with no one else."

Last night Lady Falkender was unobtainable for comment. But on Independent Televicion.

But on Independent Television news, Sir Harold was reported as saying that he was sticking to his original statement. Mr Joe Haines was for six years the personal press sec-retary of Sir Harold Wilson, A

ferary of oir maring winson, as former lobby correspondent on The Sun, he was seconded as number two press secretary to the press office at 10 Powning Street, in December, 1968. Six months later he succeeded Mr Trevor Lloyd-Hughes as press secretary to the Prime Minister. In July, 1970, he moved on to Sir Harold's personal staff as press secretary, a post he occu-pied until Sir Harold's resigna-tion.

the defects in the wine, they

agreed that the 107 casks should

agreed that the 107 casks should remain in their cellars pending a decision by the National Institute for Agronomic Research "We want to be the only losers in this painful affair", the administrators add in their statement. They point our than

statement. They point out that

last year's five months of

drought had produced wines of

exceptional body and colour.

## A sour fate for vintage burgundy the history of the vineyard." The vineyard's administrators occurred in the handling of the said that as soon as they noticed

vintage.

From Charles Hargrove

One hundred and seven casks of burgundy auctioned at last November's famous annual wine sales of the Hospices de Beaune ere to be withdrawn and their buyers, many of them foreign-ers, refunded. The burgundy will be turned into eau de vie or vinegar.

In a statement issued yester-day, the Hospices admit that accident unprecedented in

Washington, Feb 6
With a new wave of Arctic

weather gripping the mid-western and eastern states, President Carter has at last up-graded his "emergency" into a "disaster declaration" for the snowbound city of Buffalo.

The effect is to go beyond sending emergency equipment such as snowploughs and excavators. A disaster declara-tion provides such help as special unemployment funds Continued on page 2, col 3 Business News, page 19

Disaster' aid on way for snowbound city

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Letters: On the Bullock Report from Sir John Prideaux and others; on Canterbury and Rome from the Rev Canon John H.

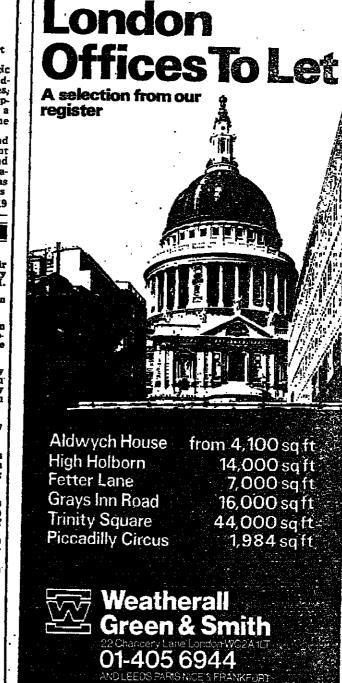
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ze holiday flights 20 domestic ser ible to use Glassterday when it to close down by trike of 36 fireof the Transport orkers' Union. irports Authority recently given a those at Glashandle it. The ave also refused ird scaring, first nd water rescue er near by.

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## Surgeons attack Treasury seeks new bias and strife in NHS

The Royal College of Surgeons has delivered a stinging indictment on the state of the National Health Service. It complains of exploitation, strife and collapse of morale among staff. It said there was a feeling that patients' needs had become secondary to the political of planners, and the thrusting self-interest of NHS staff, including doctors

### Prison complaint

Reports from prisoners at Gartree maximum security jail, near Leicester, allege " persistent acts of victimization " against IRA prisoners. It is said that other prisoners "feel indignation at the way the wretches are suffering". A warning is given that a riot may break

out unless conditions improve Page 2 Benefits dilemma

While hints are being floated that the

Government may not protect unem-

ployment benefits against inflation in

November, a departmental group has concluded that the gap between benefit and pensions is too large. Page 2

### state industry control Radical charges in the financial objecnationalized industries could result

from a reappraisal by the Treasury.

Particular attention is being given to devising new methods of financial control for public sector investment Scanlon job battle Battle lines for the succession to Mr Scaplon, president of the engineering workers' union. Mr Robert Wright has been chosen by the left wing of the

### union and Mr Terence Duffy will stand as a moderate. The secret postal ballot will be held in September

Anti-terror setback Anglo-Irish cooneration against the Provisional IRA is threatened by a case heing brought against Britain at the European Court of Human Rights arising out of actions by members of the security forces after the introduction of internment in Ulster page 3 Home News 2, 3 European News 4 Overseas News 4, 5 Agriculture 16 Appointments 16

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## S African Catholics head for new clash

The Roman Catholic Church in South Africa is being urged, at a bishop's conference in Pretoria, to support conscientious objectors. If the proposal is approved, the bishops will be heading for another clash with the Government; they are already in dispute over mixedrace schools Frelimo congress

## An openly Marxist party was launched at a congress of the ruling Mozambique Liberation Front (Frelime) in Maputo.

37 foreign delegations, 23 represented Marxist parties and six leftist liberation Chawton protest: Plans to make a bungalow of the Tudor forge in Jane Austen's village of Chawton, Hampshire, are being opposed by 56 of the

The 330 delegates burst into song

praising "scientific socialism". Of the

Human rights: The General Synod of the Church of England is to debate a report on human rights Monday Book Obituary Parliament Premium Bo Property Saje Room

villagers

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of all private

Taxes should replace national

insurance contributions to finance the National Health

Association (Nalgo). The union,

service, also calls for the aboli-

tion of all private medical prac-tice in Britain.

for private profit.

district planning.

The Nalgo submission calls

Nalgo recommends that the

centrally financed. "But inter-

ference by central government

after resources have been allo-

the joint consultative commit-

tees, bringing health and local

government services together, are not working as well as they

should. Some simply reflect the conflict between area and

to training. Student nurses, for

medicine

# men sentenced for IRA activities

Alleged victimization of isoners and what they claim the use of drugs to control em are causing widespread rest among inmates at Garee maximum security prison, aar Leicester. One has given u warning that a riot may break out unless conditions improve. Prisoners' reports from Gartree that have reached The Times allege maltreatment by prison officers of inmates serving sentences for IRA activities. One man writes: "Persistent

acts of victimization are directted again IRA prisoners". Their treatment by some Gartree prison officers, he adds, "is so bad that even we who are in no way concerned with the IRA feel indignation at the way the wretches are suffering". He maintains that trumped-

cnarges repeatedly brought against some immates by prison officers who bear a grudge against IRA prisoners. "We do not want a riot here, but there are men among us who are serving such heavy sentences and are not going to tolerate such behaviour from their keepers. I give advance warning that a major riot is

Another inmate alleges that drugs are used in conjunction

By Our Political Reporter While ministers were com-pleting the final draft of a new

prices policy, the present policy

was attacked yesterday by Mr Norman Atkinson, a leading member of the *Tribune* group and treasurer of the Labour

He told a meeting at Hill-head, Glasgow, that unless prices were effectively con-trolled trade unionists "will

take wage bargaining into their

own hands and go for the sky.
"The light at the end of the

tunnel to which the Prime Min-ister refers could turn out to

be an express train coming in

the opposite direction if prices are allowed to go unchecked",

State for Prices and Consumer Protection, is to see the TUC

Economic Committee on Wednesday, but whether he will be able to show them a draft coo-

sultative document on future

prices policy depends on how

By Tim Jones Labour Staff

to social contract

National Union

Public Employees (Nupe) is

planning disruptive action designed to warn the Govern-

ment that any continuation of the social contract will be in

fulfil its part of the contract

is expected to manifest itself strongly at the union's confer-ence in May Delegates repre-senting the 632,000 members

plan to move motions question-

ing the wisdom of embarking

on a further phase of incomes policy with the Government

unless it can make a commut-ment towards more socialist policies.

The union was chiefly responsible for organizing last November the biggest demon-

stration against the Covernment

since it took office. At that

time the Government was left in no doubt that it would have

to change course and resist

By Neville Hodgkinson

Mr John Ennals, aged 59, director of the government-sponsored United Kingdom lm-

migrants' Advisory Service, is to be told that a majority on

the service's executive council

have no confidence in him and

want him to resign.

A decision to that effect was

taken at a special meeting of the council last week. Mem-

bers had before them the report

of an inquiry into Mr Ennals's

running of the service, which receives £250,000 a year to help people with immigration

Several employees resigned

early last year over the direc-tor's handling of staff matters.

An independent inquiry was set

up in the late summer, conduc-ted by Mr Thomas Critchley, a

recently retired civil servant.
Mr Critchley's confidential

report is highly critical of Mr

Ennals, In particular, it attacks

the part he played in the dis-

missal of Mr Francis Salandy,

people we difficulties.

pressure for public spending

Mr Hattersley, Secretary of

Labour MP calls for

more price controls

with the prison's disciplinary for men liable to disciplinary action to be taken to the hospital for a few days and drugged up. At least two men there who have been rebels in their time are given injections of some kind of tranquillizer which has really destroyed

"It has the strange effect of causing the head and arms to be kept as stationary as possible at all times. Wishing to look to left or right, these men turn their entire bodies rather than just the head. It makes them look like zombies."

The Home Office said: "To suggest that drugs are used as part of disciplinary procedure in the prison is absolute rubbish. All drugs are very strictly controlled, prescribed by a doctor and administered by hospital officers."

A prisoner voices his fear that a segregation unit being built at Gartree will be used for psychiatric purposes. "In other words, cause them any trouble and you will be classed as something of a nut, put in the unit and given 'treatment' for your 'disorder'."
Mr Geoffrey Coggan, southern

rganizer of the Preservation of the Rights of Prisoners (Prop) group, said last night: "Since

ist, flexible policy.

independent agency, recently completed by

department and is now awaiting

more unless the Government

introduces maximum price

should start the new wage talks

by guaranteeing that prices will not be allowed to rise more than 5 per cent during the veer

secretary of the union, said yesterday: "Over the next four

months our members will be

demonstrating their determina-

tion to end the cuts in public

spending and to secure a mas-

sive reduction in unemployment

ported by other unions repre-

The "days of action" will

He added: " The Government

controls.

quickly it can be put through not be allowed to rise more than the Whitehall machine.

Mr Hantersley would like to under discussion."

Union warning on threat

jeopardy if it persists in implementing wide-ranging public list economic strategy."

expenditure cuts.

Mr Fisher and his coll

the use of drugs can be classed respectable, but is in fact a modern equivalent of the strait-jacket, with more damaging consequences."

Our Medical Correspondent writes: Tranquillizers of the phenothiazine type are widely used in psychiatric hospitals for the treatment of schizophrenia and mental states caus ng confused, violent or restless behaviour. They relieve anxiety and tension, but In large doses their use may lead to indifference and apathy:

Prolonged treatment may cause no ill-effect, but in some cases it leads to impairment of muscular control, with stiffness and loss of expression in the face clumsiness and apparently purposeless movements. Other ide effects may include damage to the liver, causing jaundice, and damage to the blood-form ing cells in the bone marrow.

Sime Fein protest: Demon strators protested vesterday out side the home of the Home Secretary, Mr Rees, at Hatch End, Greater London, against alleged ill treatment of Irish terrorists in British jails (the Press Association reports). The protest was organized by the Prisoners' Aid Committee of London Provisional Sinn Fein.

Laureate's

example, should be regarded as students, not as "extra pairs of TUC concept of industrial democracy and recommends that "balf the members of the regional and area health authorities should be trade unionists, drawn from all sections of the movement

The evidence reiterates Nalgo's stated view that the British pharmaceutical industry should be under public control to eliminate research duplication, over-pricing and wasteful advertising.

Prisoners at a maximum security Nalgo urges | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons | Surgeo exploitation in indictment of NHS criticize

Collapse of morale among medical and non-medical staff is the greatest threat to the survival of the National Health Service and the wellbeing and safety of patients, the Royal College of Surgeons stated yesterday.

Service, according to evidence sent to the Royal Commission on the NHS by the National and Local Government Officers In evidence to the Royal Commission on the National Health Service the college said: The service has lost its sense whose 683,000 members include 81,000 administrative, nursing and technical staff in the health of purpose and its sense of unity, and the good will that used to exist between all groups working within it has been replaced by strife".

There was a feeling that the needs and convenience of patients had become secondary for swift government action to provide NHS facilities that will to the "political bias of legismake it unnecessary for patients. lators, the cold calculations of to resort to nursing homes run. planuers, the officious inflexi-bility of administrators and the thrusting self-interest of NHS staff of all kinds (including NHS should continue to be doctors) ".

There was a sense of anger and frustration that those who cated to the regions must employed hospital doctors and dentists had exploited their cease." And it points out that dedication to patients to a degree no longer tolerable.

There was despair at the nation's failure to provide facilities and buildings compatible with the needs of modern medical practice and As the largest employer in Britain, the NHS is urged to assume a greater commitment

"bewilderment at the pro- devolved to the hospital and dis-liferation of offices, commissees trict level." and non-productive staff. "The profession feels itself

to be drowning in a sea of paper and deafened by waves of verbiage, and it finds its own informed statements on how patients should be cared for largely unheard in a rumult

In the almost manimous view of the college's fellows, the health service reorganization had been disastrous. "No fellow has been able to identify benefit that reorganization

The overwhelming view was that the area tier of embority should be eliminated. With reorganization, the power of decision had moved from the hospital to more remote levels where, it appeared to hospital doctors, it became all too often los: in a labyrinth of administrative tiers.

"Contact between those who know the local needs and those who make decisions about them conditions for a stultifying bureaucracy have been created

The report includes specific cases mentioned in evidence by fellows to the college. A Welch surgeon wrote of a leaking roof

in an anaesthetic room where water ran into the theatre and plaster came off the walls, faliing on to patients being snaes-therized. "It is only after one year's effort that we have been able to get this remedied." A Newcastle surgeon com-

A West Midlands surgeon said students and other junior members of staff had made it pared to spend years " slogging their guts out in hospital" in order to pursue a career in surgery or medicine. "They in-

plained: "The present dilapi-dated state of the majority of the regional hospitals is deplor-able. The complete lack of interest in maintenance is evident from flaking paint, leaking roofs, unmended loose riles on staircases, clocks; six hours slow or not working, and unhygienic toilets, to mention but a few. It is indeed remarkable how doctors and patients both survive in such squalor.'

Service is to continue as a where the rewards are greater humane and effective organization, power of decision must be there is more spare time."

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By Our Political Report
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the Royal Commission on the National Health Service from the Royal College of Surgeons " disastrous ' to point to the effect of reorganization. A surgeon in the South-west said he had to fill in a

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should, be allocated by the carpenter. He then placed the book on the door, filled in a Before the reorganization, he

it took a month."
"Nero" taunt: Mr Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services, has become the Nero of the health service. Dr Gerard Vaughan, an opposition spokes-man on health, told a meeting at Southampton University

Mr. Ennals's economies for sheet, on which the amount of time and work was detailed." the NHS will fail because morale is now too low for such economies to work", he said.

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## Battle lines drawn for Scanlon post Pressure on Governmen

weekend

Birmingham Battle lines for the succession to Mr Hugh Scanlon, whose job as president of the Amalgamated Union of En-Workers carries great weight in the councils of the TUC, were drawn up at

political meetings during the

It will be a fiercely fought struggle between the left and right, with the incumbent president giving his personal support to the militant candi-date, Mr Robert Wright. In Birmingham yesterday 280 left-wing delegates from all ever Britain whose Mr Wright, aged 56, who twice lost against the moderates but staged an

electoral comeback to take over the assistant general secretaryship of the union. In Leeds on Saturday about 150 moderate officials and

new contract. They are advising colleagues not to apply for jobs with . Berkshire authority be-

cause it is not using the draft

model contract drawn up by them and the Department of Health.

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council seat 18 months ago to Mr Duffy, against whom he is now ranged in a national vote. The first postal ballot for the presidency will take place in September, and if as expected it goes to a second ballot with unsuccessful rank-and-file candidates dropping out, that will be held in the spring of next Mr Duffy unexpectedly took them.

the moderage nonlinearon from Mr. George Butles at the right-wing caucus sentering at the Light Club in Leeds. He was a shop steward at

the Lucas aerospace factory before becoming a divisional organizer in 1969, but his e was little known outside

Junior doctors put county on blacklist

doctors said yesterday.

blacklisted an area health man of the 19:000 junior suitable for nurses or doctors, authority in a dispute over their doctors said vesterator.

The doctors want the

model contract, but it prefers

the same form that it uses, with

additions and deletions, for all

its staff. "It may be suitable

opponent is better

known nationally. He has been a leading negotiator in the motor industry and was on the eight years. The introduction of secret postal balloting in the union five years ago has trebled the

turnout in elections and aided the chances of moderate candidates who could not rely on their supporters to attend branch meetings and vote for Mr Wright will mount a three

pronged campaign, calling for a return to free collective bar gaining, a change in the Government's economic strategy and a substantial reduction in unemployment. : Mr Duffy will stand for con-

tinuation of the social contract Terence Duffy, aged 54, who is his narive Northampton mitil between the TUC and the the Midlands and Manchester he took successful action in Government.

Dr Derek Cullington, Berk-

said that the authority had no

dispute with the doctors. The Department of Health had sent

that did not make it clear

whether it was compulsory to use the new model contract.

out a "badly worded circular

Dr Wardle said.

authority to use the agreed shire's area medical officer.

doubts at Westminster. Junior hospital doctors have tract", Dr David Wardle, chair- forms of contract, but it is not

tently dragged its feet on the introduction of its own Bill, and if legislation is not introduced soon it will be impossible for the agreed date."

also caught up in the Govern-ment's difficulties over devolu-tion. Mr Gwilym Roberts, Labour MP for Cannock, said yesterday that the Government would not get its devolution Bill unless there was a

## regional member of the exect the High Court to prevent the utive council of the dominant delaying of the ballot in which engineering section of the he has Mr Weight Court to prevent the Over Europe poll Bill factor which even the are not taking into which makes it virtual.

By Our Political Staff Pressure on the Government to introduce the Bill on direct liament is expected to be existed today by a group of Labour backbenchers. About sixty have signed a

draft Commons early day motion calling for the introduction of the Bill to remove uncertainty on the Government's position, and to reassure of the firm intention to hold

While ministers have been giving assurances that the Bill will be brought forward in this session, some pro-Europe politicians in all parties have lingerthat ing suspicions Government is holding back, Lord Banks, a Liberal peer, am only marginally in its to introduce a Bill in the devolution Bill, I Lords on Tuesday. His effort sionately opposed to

Lord Byers, leader of the Liberals in the Lords, said: The Government has persis-

Direct election legislation is

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realize that if the de Bill gets on the statute way will be clear for a direct elections for 19 et g ton bluow l" ernment a cat in hell's

getting a guillotine wi votes of those MPs, anguillotine they canno

Mr John Lee, Labou Birmingham, Handsw the intended to vote as guillotine motion. " I am only marginally in the devolution Bill, I is an indication of the nagging to Europe, and would to see the first Bill filibi sacrifice the second?

Mr Bryan Gould, recently dismissed as mentary private secret. 'It is in the minds of us that every day tak that there would b elections. . . .

"If the devolution would go away I would pleased, but as it will I should support the ment. However, there i off between devolut direct elections, partit terms of time"

## Dilemma over differentials for benefit

Correspondent

While hints are being floated that the Government floated that the Government may not protect unemployment benefits against inflation in November, an inter-departmental group has concluded privately that the gap between benefits and pensions is top large. But action on either

to reduce

work. But the scope for doing year in the belief that the so is limited. law to review all national insurance benefits once a year and protect them against infla-tion. To change that commit-

and there is little prospect of the Government's getting any social security legislation social security le

Two out of three of the main money-saving clouses in the Social Security (Miscellaneous After a "think tank" report, Provisions) Bill have been defeated in committee, and the justification for the higher rates third scraped through only on the promise of a new inflation-

legislation allowed some discre-The Government is obliged by tion in calculating inflation for the purpose of increasing benefits, and introduced a review of a quarter less than the amount needed fully to protect ment would require legislation, them against past inflation. But and there is little prospect of that is being challenged in the High Court

Meanwhile, the poverty study group set up under the Joint Approach to Social Policy programme, which was instituted after 2 "think tank" report, has concluded that there is little paid on long-term benefits like pensions, compared with short-term benefits like unemployproofing commitment. term benefits like un.
The Government acted last ment and sickness pay.

## Civil servants want more involvement in policies

"We are telling them they ought not to go where they will for cleaners, porters and other not be given a proper consorts of staff who have similar

cil, which represents more legislation than 500,000 non-industrial work when civil servants, is pressing the interests. Government for greater invol- The staff side, which was vement in polities that affect, not included in the scope of In a submission to the Civil

Service Department, it suggests the introduction of "participa-tive observers" on management bodies. These observers, who would not have corporate responsibility for any executive decisions taken by the body concerned, should be selected through the recognized unions,

relations procedures that already exist in the Civil Service, it says that far too much scope exists for "arbitrary management decisions". The system, it says, fails to provide enough information and has no

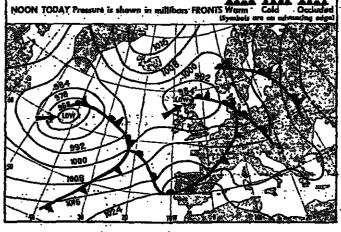
vants want consultation on estimates, cash limits, new legislation and location of work when they affect staff

the Bullock committee, states: "The most potent cause of disputes in the Civil Service lies in the scope that exists for overriding the views of the staff and proceeding by arbi-tary administrative decision. Once action of this kind is taken by the management, an inflexible situation is created. and confrontation is very often the only recourse open ".

As an alternative to the creation of such a conflict, the submission urges the introduction of a standstill period, dur-ing which efforts should be made to resolve a dispute using agreed procedures.

position to other interested groups who are now consulted regularly before ministerial decisions are made.

## Weather forecast and recordings



Today Sua rises: 7.29 am 8.34 am 9. Last Quarter : February 11. Last Quarter: Pebruary 11.
Lighting up: 5.31 pm to 6.58 am High water: London Bridge. 3.39 am, 7.6m (24.8ft); 4.2 pm, 7.6m (25.0ft). Avonmonth. 9.13 am, 13.7m (44.9ft); 9.38 pm, 13.5m (44.3ft). Dover, 12.43 am, 6.9m (22.8ft): 1.4 pm. 6.7m (22.0ft). Hull, 8.15 am, 7.2m (23.6ft): 8.19 pm, 7.5m (24.7ft). Liverpool, 1.1 am, 9.4m (30.7ft); 1.15 pm, 9.6m (31.6ft)

A depression will move E across N Scotland.

London, SE: Central S Englaud, East Anglia: Cloudy with rain, becoming brighter with scattered showers; wind SW. moderate or fresh; max temp 7°C (45°F). Midlands, E. Central N. NE England: Sunny intervals, showers later; wind SW, moderate or fresh; max temp 7°C (45°F).

wind SW, fresh or strong; max temp 8°C (46°F). Wales, SW, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll, N Ireland; Sunny intervals, showers, frequent and heavy at times, snow on hills; wind SW to W, fresh ar strong, sale in express places.

strong, gale in exposed places; max memp 7°C (45°F). Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Central Highlands, NW Scotland: Rain, brighter with showers later, falling as snow on hills; wind S, veering SW, strong: max temp 6 or 7°C (43 to 45°F).

Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland : Cloudy, outbreaks of rain, becom-Shetland:

ing more showery: wind variable, fresh; max temp 6°C (43°F). Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Showers or longer breaks of rain, temps near nor-mal; overnight frost and fog Sea passages: S North Sea, Strait of Dover, English Channel

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drigge;



St George's Channel, 1 Wind W, strong to gale

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Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 6 pm, 11°C (52°F); m to 6 am, 7°C (45°F). 6 pm, 78 per cent. Rair 6 pm, 0.12in. Sun. 24hr 0.6hr. Bar. mean sea lec. 1,010.6 milibars, falling

Postal plea

a West Indian employee.

The Post Office yesterday again asked the public not to post letters to addresses in the eastern postal district of Lon-don, which is affected by an unofficial strike by postmen at day gave a signed manuscript Whitechapel sorting office.

Composer's gift Aram Khachaturyan, the Rus-

of the report yesterday.

sian composer, whose music from Spartacus was used as the theme for the BBC television series The Onedin Line, yesterto be sold for Oxfam in London.

### criticized scrap the price code when it is due for renewal in July and substitute a more intervention-Continued from page 1 Mr Nicholas Fairbairn, Con-The document, which includes the creation of an

hymn

servative MP for Kinross and West Perthshire, said: "It is absolutely pathetic. It is the most banal, ninth-rate piece of child's yerse. It has none of the

child's yerse. It has none of the mystery of poetry about it."

But Mr Malcolm Williamson, Master of the Queen's Music, when asked on the BBC radio programme, The World this Weekend, if he was pleased with the hymn, for which he wrote the music and Sir John the words, said: "Dare I say, I am". Mr Williamson added that the words were originally clearance either by the Prime
Minister or the Cabinet's economic and industry committee.
Mr Arkinson said that prices were 15 per cent up on this time last year, yet most wage earners would be lucky if their take-home pay rose by 7 per cent over the same period. "Living standards are bound that the words were originally to suffer substantial reductions before phase three of the social contract starts this August", he said. "Rank-and-file trade unionists will not sacrifice any more complex, but Sir John had revised and simplified them. And Mr Lionel Dakers, director of the Royal School of

Church Music and president of the Royal College of Organists, announced himself pleased with it. "I think it captures the spirit of the occasion", he said. Its first performance at the Albert Hall last night was greeted with loud, long, applause from an audience of President's message: President Carter has sent the Queen a message congratulating her on her anniversary, the White House said yesterday (Reuter

The message expressed good wishes and restated the great friendship that exists between he United States and Great Britain. The text of the message vot be released, an

official said. Diary, page 14 Photograph, page 16

vative MP for Poole and the Deputy Speaker of the House senting more than 2,500,000 members affiliated to the TUC. Commons, has announced his intention not to contest the next election. He had a majority of 11,425 in a three-

on the basis of government policies which embrace a socia-MP to stand down Mr Fisher and his colleagues Dismay over the alleged hope that their proposed failure of the Government to "days of action" will be sup-

Mr Oscar Murton, Conser-

cornered fight at the last general election.

involve strikes, working to rule, demonstrations and the circulation of leaflets. Action will be decided upon by divisional councils of the union, which bave also been asked to arrange lobbies of local authorities when they meet to discuss their rate demands for 1977-78. By Pat Heal y'. Social Services

Although they are still con-vinced that a Labour government is far better than a Conservative government, many trade union leaders admit privately that if the cuts continue and unemployment is not 

At a meeting last Wednesday the council heard Mr Ennals's comments on the report. After

he had left, it decided to seek clarification on some points of

until they had the answers to

those queries the council should

take no further action. But a majority were in favour of an

informal vote by show of hands,

in which it was decided by eight votes to four, with three

abstentions, that the council had

no confidence in the director, irrespective of the outcome of

Lord Foot, the chairman, was

asked to convey that decision

"peaceful" means by which he could be persuaded to resign.

The council members each

signed for a copy of Mr Critch-

giving an undertaking that they

would not make known any of

the contents to the press. The

Sunday Times published details

further inquiries.

Some members argued that

and economic reasons. Immigrants' adviser will be asked to resign

option is unlikely for political Awarding less than the full increase for unemployment benefit in November could prevent renewed arguments about

the relative spending power of poor families in and out of

Reform sought

courts' delays. By a Staff Réporter Time and money are wasted in magistrates' courts because of the unnecessary number of adjournments, a committee of Conservative lawyers says in a report published today.

It says the delay with which it is concerned is not a long. unbroken wait from the time a person is first charged to the full hearing, but the "nibbling" process of remands, parthearings and adjournments, which creates an appearance on paper that charges are being dealt with expeditiously but in reality has much the same consequence as a long passage of time without any appearance in

Among the remedies proposed are an exchange of witness statements between prosecution

and defence before the case and

the upgrading of magistrates' clerks to enable them to per-form judicial functions in un-

contested and formal matters.

Procedure in the Magistrates' Courts (Conservative Contral

Courts (Cor Office, 30p).

By Our Labour Staff The staff side of the Civil Service National Whitley Coun-

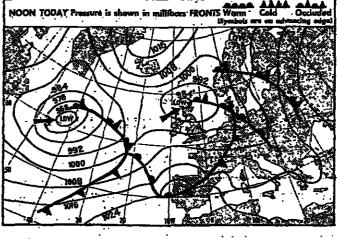
the document says. The staff side claims that

such "modest proposals" for greater industrial democracy would lead to a "markedly more efficient Civil Service."

Although the submission acknowledges the industrial relations proposed to the company of the submission acknowledges the industrial columns. procedure to resolve disputes.

in particular, the civil ser-

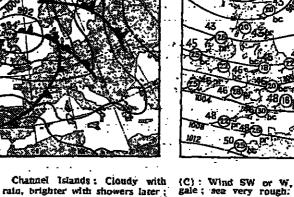
Consultation, it argues, would do no more than put the Civil Service unions in a similar



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Answers in Parliament

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additives or substitutes subject

to a licensing procedure. That idea was dropped after Ameri-

can-ewned companies with interests in the British market

indicated that they would chai-

lenge such an order as being

beyond ministerial powers. The Government decided, after

legal advice, not to risk an embarrassing defeat in the

ft is now committed to introducing legislation that will give the scientific committee some

statutory status, and bring sub-stitutes and additives formally

stitutes and additives formally within the scope of the Medicines Act. But the legislation is not expected before the next parliamentary session, and with difficulties over meeting EEC requirements for harmonizing tobacco taxation policy, the Government is particularly anxious to obtain cooperation in the meantime.

to work out an informal interim agreement whereby the new

products can go on sale as soon as they are cleared by the com-

mittee. But a hindrance to agreement is that the industry

is also under theear of legisla-tion if it does not agree to further voluntary curbs on ad-vertising and promotion. In particular, the tobacco com-panies are united in resisting

pressure for a stronger health

warning on packets.

in the meantime.

Talks are under way

# Strife and ME NEWS.

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all of Rights in the Stricter security will be in will be made during operation today than for any Stricter security will be in operation today than for any earings due to open of the 18 previous cases sfore the European brought to Strasbourg for judgment. The British delegation will be headed by Mr Samuel Silkin, QC, Attorney

> The first session will last most of the week and it has been decided in advance to restrict it to argument under three broad headings: the scope and jurisdiction of the court, its role as regards an inquiry into the facts, and the interpretation of Article 1 of the convention. The last issue will centre on the Irish claim that the introduction of internment in Ulster constituted a separate breach of the conven-tion from those acts which took place during it, a claim Britzin will contest vigorously. A second court session will be held in the spring and a final judgment is expected to

> > Ulster's latest battleground

## admit RUC murder

and another officer jured after they had hoax bomb call. 2 Faulkner, former ster of Northern Ireribute to Mr Jeffrey te funeral took place on Saturday. Mr

risional IRA admitted in Liverpool yesterday under iry yesterday for the Prevention of Terrorism and a reserve police ambush at Gilford, in Sarurday night.

The house was searched after the discovery of fire ambush at Gilford, bombs in a council house on Friday.

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be presented by October.

the detonation of a device in the Department of Employment office in Liverpool last week. Interruptions : Demonstrators interrupted Mrs Betty Williams, cofounder of the Peace Move-ment, when she spoke to supon Saturday. Mr
of the province's (Reuter reports). The protest came from members of the Dutch-Ireland Committee who demanded the withdrawal of British troops

## cational standards ng, teachers say

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y of the teachererted and the local

Casey, the assocral secretary, said: ral anxiety about as have been going

ashamed of. Anybody who wants to cast stones should get into the classroom and try his

But a warning that teachers are often misled into thinking that children are poor readers because they cannot master English grammar is given in Where, published today by the Advisory Centre for Education.

It publishes the results of a survey carried out by the National Children's Bureau on more than 500 essays written by that children with reading diffi-culties could write essays that were just as good grammatically as those written by

One possible explanation, the bureau says, is that teachers overemphasized the convenyardstick of standard English pronunciation in assessing oral ability. Leadership: The Department o

Education and Science pub-lished yesterday a new series of reports from its inspectors on good practice in schools, Our Education Correspondent

writes.
Its survey of 10 secondary schools comprises two secondary modern, five comprehensive, one direct-grant grammar

14 and over. school one independent board-bers are not opti-an early improve-lieve strongly that normal children. The inspectors' most telling conclusion is that success does not come as much from the

way a school is organized whether on comprehensive or non-comprehensive lines, from effective leadership the professional skills of head teachers and staff. Ten good Schools (Stationery Office, 75p).

## Pride and prejudice against the developers

From Philip Howard Chawton, Hampshire

It is a truth universally acknow-ledged that the principal industry of an English country village is the discussion of other people's affairs. For what do we live, but to make sport for our neighbour and laugh at them in our turn? to make sport for our neighbours, and laugh at them in our turn?

Jane Austen's own pretty little village of Chawnon, where she described the idlosyncrasy of the English character more wittily that anyone before or since, is disturbed by a proposed redevelopment. No fewer than 56 of the villagers, many of whose families have lived here for many generations, and most of whom can readily be identified with Miss Bates, Miss Bennett, and other Austen characters, have signed a petition protesting about a proposal to redevelop the Tudor forge. Planning permission is being sought to turn the forge into a buogalow and built a trop-storey house behind it overlooking the converted William III coaching inn in the middle of the village. The county council planning committee is holding a meeting at the forge next Friday to try to soothe local opposition to the plan, which involves cutting down a fine old sycamore and erecting yet more modern architecture to hem in Jane's house.

The villagers, who have hait very little to dittreet.

Mr McGeorge Bundy, president of the Ford Foundation, is

to visit London next month to examine the possibility of establishing a policy studies centre, modelled on the Brook-ings Institution in Weshington.

The author of the idea of a

British Brookings is Professor Ralf Dahrendorf, director of the London School of Econom-

Mr Bundy about funding a

London-based institute, the projects it might undertake, and the kind of people who

would staff it as permanent and temporary fellows. Professor Dahrendorf has no

intention of leaving the LSE to

ics and a former EEC commis-sioner. He will have talks with to exchange ideas on economic



The leading protesters, Mrs Elizabeth Rose, Sir Hugh Smiley and Mrs Kate Cleaver, standing in front of the threatened forge (right).

modern houses have been built on the other side of Jane's house from the forge; and planning per-mission is being sought to erect two similar eyesores at the bottom of her garden. If that happens the period charm and peace of Jane's house will be surrounded by modern unliness on three sides. The villagers, who have hait very little to distress or ver them in the century and a half since lane left them, are unimpressed by the examples of modern architecture that have recently been inflicted upon their village, which is supposed to be a conservation area.

Two atroclous bungalows, built by an incomer to the village who then sold them and left, are known locally as the public lavatories.

Two large and exceedingly ugly chief to the sides.

The forge is a single-storey, simple trick cottage, with shutters built in 1540. For no recorded reason, it has cheap ment plaques.

A family called Clinker lived in the forge and provided the village who the forge and provided the village will they are incomer to the village who clinkers spent a night away from the forge only once in all that time limits when they went away for a Christmas visit. Like Mr Wood-

Ford fund talks on London centre

himself as a catalyst in the enterprise.

Over the past year meetings with businessmen, public servants, politicians and academics have convinced him that a "bridge" is needed between theoreticians and policy makers. The intention would be an extract anymager civil serv

be to attract younger civil servents, academics, businessmen

Unlike in Washington, where frequent movement in and out of the Administration at the highest levels is part of the established pattern, such interchange is minimal in Britain, to the detriment of public life

and social issues...

house, the village tends to distike changes and journeys.

Sir Hugh Smiley, honorary secretary of the Jane Ansten Society, says: "Chawton owes its interest to the fact that Jane Austen lived and wrote here, and to the house where she lived with her mother and sister, which is run as a museum by the Jane Austen Memorial Trust. We feel strongly that the village should be pro-Memorial Trust. We feel strongly that the village should be protected and preserved, not rained."

Mrs Elizabeth Rose, curator of the museum and a great-great-great-niece of Jane Austen, says:

"This used to be a peaceful job in a beautiful village. We get up to 20,000 visitors a year. A great many of them, particularly the Americans, now tell me that these new buildings are spoiling the view and the atmosphere."

generally, Professor Dahren-dorf believes. For that reason the proposed centre would be based within easy reach of Westminster, Whitehall and

Its initial budget would be about Ilm a year, providing library, research and club faci-

histery, research and clib fact-lities, as well as a setting for high-level conferences. Profes-sor Dahrendorf hopes for attract sponsors in North America, Europe and Britain. A commitment from the Ford.

Foundation would bring the project close to fulfilment, and the centre could be in operation by the end of the year.

The foundation is expected

to decide whether to support the scheme in June.

the City.

There are, of course, nice discriminations in their attitude to the redevelopment between the gentry, the retired middle-class incomers, the indigenous villagers, and the other strata of village society. They are too subtle to be captured except by the affectionate malice of Jane herself. But such incomers as Mrs Kate Cleaver and Mrs Retty Leather. But such incomers as Mrs Kate Cleaver and Mrs Betty Leather, a retired actress, aged 82, who still uses her stage name Betty Pinchard for professional purposes, tend to be prominent in the campaign to save the village from redevelopment.

There is little though, however, that the whole rillage is generally

that the whole village is generally unhappy about the way it is being exploited to make quick money for outsiders who do not live

### Acas chairman withholds name for neutrality'

Several members of the advisory editorial board of Personnel Management, official journal of the Institute of Personnel Management, have asked for their names not to be printed in emergency issues produced during a dispute.

produced during a dispute.

Nineteen journalists employed
by the publishers, Mercury
House, Lambeth, are on strike
Those who have asked for
their names to be omitted include Mr James Mortimer,
chairman of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service
(Acas), who says that association (Acas), who says that association with an issue produced during an official strike is not compatible with neutrality.

## Sales threat troubles tobacco concerns

By Neville Hodgkinson Social Policy Correspondent

The Government and the tobacco industry have reached a critical stage in their talks on smoking controls. They are at the point where the Government must either drop some of its key proposals or legislate on them and risk losing the cooperation of considerable sec-

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tions of the industry.

The clash is particularly significant in that Imperial Tobacco, which owns Players and Wills and holds about two thirds of the British market, is growing increasingly nervous that its policy of close colla-boration with the Government in the development of a " safer " cigarette may have severe commercial disadvantages.

The fear arises not just be-cause of doubts about the sales prospects of safer tobacco sub-stitutes. In the course of de-veloping these new materials there has come into existence a unique machine, the govern-ment-appointed Independent Scientific Committee on Smok-ing and Health, which for the first time may expose all its products to rigorous scientific

The feeling is growing in the industry that this analysical process, by eroding the mystique and with it some of the pleasure surrounding the smoking habit, may be a bigger long-term threat to sales than any amount of official con-

emmanon.

From the Government's point of view, the fact that such fears are emerging would seem to indicate that its strategy is successful. The achievement is all the more notable in that most of the research, costing millions of pounds, has been paid for by the industry. But ministers face diffi-culties in deciding what to do pext if they are to retain the

industry's support for further progress on the scientific front.

The Government had inrended to lay an order under

Again, there is some bitterness in the industry that its ov n research on tobacco sub-stitutes has increased medical certainties over the health Imperial Tobacco has a £14m

Imperial Tobacco has a £14m factory at Ardeer, in Scotland, which is stockpiling New Smoking Material, the tobacco substitute it has developed join'ly with ICI, in anticipation of a go-ahead from the scientific committee. That approval is likely within the next few weeks weeks.

But after all the cooperation Imperial has given the Govern-ment, the outlook for the prothe Medicines Act to make duct is nothing like as bright as tobacco products containing it once appeared.

### Windscale strike continues

Windscale nuclear plant, west Cumbria, voted overwhelmingly at a mass meeting yesterday to continue a strike that has lasted 10 days and has brought work on nuclear fuel reprocessing to a standstill.

The strike has stopped atomic generators that send electricity

affected by the strike, which began over payment of 1,000

A peace formula put forward by the employers yesterday offered payment of £15 a person for a return to work so that negotiations to resolve the dispute could continue.

## church of discord

preached yesterday at St Mary' church, Andover, where the vicar, the Rev Peter Chandler recently dismissed the organis and seven members of the choir They had opposed his plan for simpler evensong service, with ust a piano accompaniment.

provided by a piamist.

Dr. Taylor, referring to the church's musicians, said: "By all means offer the finest music these, your worship arises higher than a precarious roo

## Bishop at

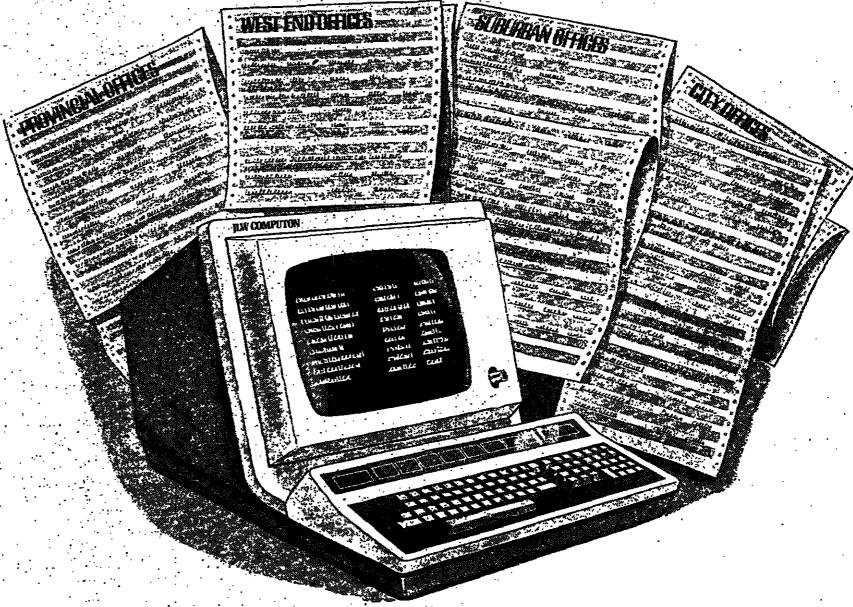
The bishop called for "petty pride" to be put into propor-tion. He condemned the recent happenings and said one could only pray that when the public "laugh at us", they keep their respect for Christ.

Yesterday's service was conducted by Mr Chandler, aged 55, and the organist, Mr Lloyd Ponting, aged 68, and the seven dismissed choristers were in the congregation. The music was

you can, if you offer it for the love of God and with love for others. But if your thoughts become focused on the things you are doing or the building you are doing them in or the disagreements you have over

He is to meet members of the parochial church council and choir this week to try to resolve

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r-occupier dwelling Subsidy from cennt and rate funds, rebates, a council sums required to

sams required to same purchasing scember, 1976, as ember, 1964, £4,100 1971, and £5,750 in 'e £9,600, 58,360 and Treasury, Feb 1. y: A married man dren earning £5,000 , took home \$3,875

Answers in **Parliament** 

A periodic digest of information given in parliamentary written replies, with the sources and dates on which they appeared in Hansard.

amount in real terms in 1975 he would have had to earn 56,435. The equivalent figure for 1976 was £7,570 and for 1977 £9,420. Treasury, Jan 31.

Cost of living: The minutes of work required by a men on the average wage to earn, before tax, the price of one kilo of sirioin steak in October, 1975, were 95 in Britain, 146 in France, 150 in Federal Germany and 79 in

foods were: cod—56, 83, 46, 47; bread—9, 18, 15, 9; apples—13, 11, 10, 14; oranges—13, 17, 12, 15; 33, 81, 49, 40; poratoes— 5; one litre of milk— 6, ; one dozen eggs—17, 24,

Food subsidies: Expenditure on

Food subsidies: Expenditure of the general food subsidy pro-gramme in 1975 was £651.8m and in 1976 £444m. That was made up of: bread, £83.1m, £57.9m; Butter, £108.1m, £80.2m; cheese, £63.8m, £45.3m; flour, £7:8m, £7.6m; milk, £359.2m; £228.9m; tea, £29.8m, £74.1m

Price increases: According to in-

general index of retail prices, per-centage increases for a number of items between October, 1974, and October, 1976, were: Remz, 31; rates and water charges, 59; gas, 41; electricity, 74; train and bus fares, 71.

Dearer food : Percentage increase the effects of subsidies, were Bread, flour, cereals, biscuits an cases, 108; meat and bacon, 101 and other cooking fats, 133; milk, cheese and eggs, 111; tea, coffee, cocoa, soft drinks, 79; sugar, preserves and confectionery, 118-vegetables, fresh, canned and frozen, 207; fruit, fresh, dried

Fuel charges: The cost of domestic fuels, in pence a therm, in 1976 was 15.4 for gas, 60.1 for electricity and 10.9 to 16.1 coal, according to location.

Prices in the 10 previous were: 1966 10.6, 23.3, 3.7; 1967 10.3, 23.1, 3.5, 5.0; 1968 26.0, 3.8, 5.2; 1969 10.7, 25.1 5.5, 7.9; 1973 11.0, 28.4, 8.1; 1974 11.6, 33.9, 6.7, 1975 14.4, 49.1, 9.0, 12.6

duty, together with an estimate of the value-added tax on alco-holic drinks, were £1,945m in 1975-76. The estimate for 1976-77 is £2,325m. The estimate of revenue from taxation on tobacco

18 countries

disputes to

set aside

save sea

From Mario Modiano Athens, Peb 6

Traditional foes such as the

aside their quarrels to join in saving the Mediterranean from

a slow death through pollution. About 50 legal and technical

experts from the 18 Mediter-

Athens from today until Friday

to negotiate a treaty on control

ling pollution from land-based

sources such as industries.

treaties to protect the Mediter-

ranean from pollution caused

by ships and aircraft and to

centre to coordinate action against oil spills was opened in

This programme, known as the Mediterranean Action Plan,

was organized by the United Nations Environment Pro-

gramme (UNEP) which, at the

request of the coastal states, has prepared proposals for the new treaty that the delegates

Biologiste have given warn

ings that the largest part of

sea pollution is caused by fac-

tories, sewage and pesticides. It is estimated that 90 per cent

of all municipal sewage in the

Mediterranean is poured into the sea without undergoing full

Mr Peter Thacher, UNEP's

Malta six weeks ago.

will discuss in Athens.

biological treatment.

operate in fighting oil soills. United Nations regional

sewers and agriculture.

## EEC seeks way to stop **British** pig subsidies

From David Cross Brussels, Feb 6

Mr Roy Jenkins and his colleagues in the European Commission will have to decide this week how to proceed in their legal dispute with the British Government over what they regard as illegal payments by Whitehall to British pig

The Danes, who consider that the special £3.50 a head subsidies are hitting their exports are to voice their objections at a meeting of foreign ministers of the Nine here on Tuesday. The Irish and Dutch, whose producers also sell pork and bacon to Britain, are expected to join in the general condem-nation of the British move. In spite of the criticism, the British are continuing to justify the subsidies as a necessary step to preserve Britain's long-term supplies of pork and bacon.

In a formal reply to the Commission's allegations of illegality, the British maintain that the subsidies are required to slow down the present rapid slaughter rate of British pigs, which they believe has been started off by cheap imports from other parts of the Com-

munity.

The most likely course of action now is that the Commission will set a time limit for the British to abolish the subsidies. If the Government again refuses to step into line the case would probably go to the European Court of Justice. The Commission originally declared the subsidies illegal on the ground that they would distort the flow of intra-Community trade.

mans, who are helping to prop

up sterling, have been taking a

hard look at England and have

apparently decided it is in

In one of a spate of articles

about Britain's social and

economic ills, the mass-circula

tion magazine Stern sighed: Poor, poor England."

The magazine Quick, in an analysis headed "World Power

With thousands of Germans

flooding to London on cheap

shopping trips every week, the image of Britain here today is of a bargain basement where

practically everything is up for

But underlying the gleeful tales of Shedand wool and Cashanere sweaters and English

Rome, Feb. 6.—Italian police

today found a time bomb hidden

in a train which they said

could have caused a bloodbath.

The bomb was discovered early

today on a train from Reggio

Calabria, at Italy's southern tip,

during a stop in Rome's

Tiburtina station on the way to

Milan. It was set to go off a

few hours later.
At first police believed the bomb was intended for Signor

Andreotti, the Prime Minister, who was due to arrive at Tiburtina in another train from northern Italy.

But an official said later that

Signor Andreotti's train was still at Plorence when the bomb was due to explode. "We are now certain that the Prime

Minister was not the target of the attempt", the official said.

The police found today's bomb hidden in a toilet cup-board after an anonymous caller telephoned a warning

Schmidt, the Chancellor, Herr Genscher, the Foreign Minister, and President Scheel, who will formally welcome him tomorrow morning.

Dr Hillery is well known to

West German leaders as the Foreign Minister who negoti-

Spanish pledge

San Roque, Spain, Feb 5 .-

Señor Marcelino Óreja, the

Spanish Foreign Minister.

today promised to seek a for-mula that would return Gibraliar to Spain. He was

speaking, in this town over-looking Gibraltar, during a ceremony in honour of the late

foreign minister, Señor Fernando Maria Castiella, who

was largely behind Spain's decision to close its border in the British colony in 1969.

"Incressive British governants have said they will not

unster sovereignty over

Gibraltar without the consent

of its 30,000 people.

on return

of Gibraltar

Irish President on state

visit to West Germany

Bonn, Feb 6.—Dr Patrick businessmen, a tour of a trade Hillery, the Irish President, fair in Munich, and a visit to arrived here tonight for the first state visit by any holder of his office to West Germany.

During his four-day stay he will have talks with Herr Schwide the Chancellar Warr and other officials.

The state of the s

His programme includes talks largest foreign investor in the with prominent West German Irish Republic

Bomb found in

Rome train

after tip-off

Facing Bankruptcy",
"Must we now save

need of a rest-cure.

Now asked:

## Spanish right calls for an end to 'crisis of authority'

From William Chislett Oviedo, Feb 6

While the Spanish left still baggles over electoral strategy, Señor Manuel Frage, the former Interior Minister and head of the Popular Alliance, the main right-wing force, unofficially started his campaigning here this weekend with a call

for authority to be established. "There is a crisis of authority," he told a crowd of about 4,000 in the sports of pork and bacon to Britain, stadium last night: "The country is going through tense, difficult and dramatic moments, the result of organized subversion." He criticized the Suarez Government for adopt-

ing "insufficient methods" to combat the wave of political violence. "Tumours cannot be cured with aspirins", he told his supporters. Señor Fraga did not say what other measures should be adepted apart from the present ones which give police the right to hold people for up to a month and enter homes without war-

rant, bur he left no doubts in this delicate period of tran-sition he wants his supporters to regard him as Mr Authority. This was the first time since the Popular Alliance was formed last October that four f the seven leaders—the Magnificent Seven 2 as the press calls them—appeared to-gether. With Senor Fraga on the platform, decorated with Senor Fraga opened an office of the red and yellow national the party in Oviedo today. flag and a large golden cross Madrid, Feb 6.—Despite the flag and a large golden cross embossed with costume-type jewelry, were Senor Gonzales

'Poor England,' say Germans

Western alkiance.

now exhausted

price in West Germany, writ-

ers here express real fears

about the survival of Britain as

an effective member of the

In a generally sympathetic

look at the ailing British economy, Quick said: "This

country (Britain) gave us mod-ern democracy and the concept of fair play. It taught us that

policemen don't have to shoot,

and how to laugh at our

country on whose empire the

sun once never set and which gave us the Beatles and the mini-look this England, which

in its long history had made unparalleled achievements, is

As principal causes of Bri-tain's industrial problems, most

From Our Correspondent

Copenhagen, Feb 6

today without any sign of a thaw in the chilly relations be-tween the management of Ber-

lingske Publications and the

unions involved, who are to appear before a labour court

Yesterday Berlingske issued an emergency four-page news

sheet as a gesture to its readers. Within hours the unions had lodged a complaint

with the police because Ber-lingske had forgotten to state where the news sheet had been

printed although its origin

was quite clear from the mast-head.

On Friday the weekly news journal Berlingske Weekend-

ister, and other officials.

Officers jailed

in torture

case set free

Athens, Feb 6.-An appeal

court today set free four senior

police officers convicted of

torturing political prisoners

It quashed the convictions of

two retired police lieutenant-generals and reduced the prison sentences of a major and a cap-

General Constantine Karabatsos, General Xenofon Tzavaras, and Captain Mavroyannis Moroyannis had been sentenced to three years' jail last October. Major: George Karagiorgos had received two years and four months.

under the junta regime.

President Scheel, who spent a private holiday in Ireland towards the end of last year, invited his then counterpart, Mr

cearbhall O Dalaigh, to pay a state visit to West Germany around this time. When Mr O Dalaigh resigned as head of

dvis failed to appear. The drastic measus firm's two main newspapers, Berlingske Tidende and the mass circulation B.T. have not been published for a week. In an interview published to believe it.

|Copenhagen editor puts

Denmark's newspaper con-flict entered its second week going too far to say that the

management's case

But the article added: "This

Boon. Feb 6.-West Ger- blazers at a third or half the

former Labour Minister.

Democracy could not be installed without guaranteeing public order, said Senor Fraga, who went on to attack the comcamouflage operation where they are trying to present themselves as people of order'. In the countries where they govern, without a single exception, there is only their party with an iron dictatorship,

concentration camps and psychiarric treatment for dissidents."
The alliance is vehemently against the Spanish Communist Party's participation in the elec-

The most virulent anti-com munism came from Señor de la Mora, regarded as the philo-sopher of the far right. When polling day arrived, he said, people would have to "opt for totalitarian Marxism and terror or Christian humanism and freedom ".

Every speaker emphasized that the alkance stood for "progress in order and freedom in peace." This was a line which the mainly middle class audience appreciated. Oviedo was the centre of the miners' rising in 1934 which was bloodly re-pressed by the Foreign Legion under General Franco. Part of the cathedral still bears the scars of burning.

Traditionally it is a socialist area and the Popular Alliance has been working hard to gain support. Half a million leaflers were distributed in the area.

economic recession, a royal decree in the official gazette Fernandez de la Mora, former yesterday promised the armed Public Works Minister, Senor forces all the money they Cruz Martinez Esteruelas, wanted to bring themselves up former Education Minister and to Nato standards.—Reuter.

newspapers here blame under

investment in the past, ineffi-cient managers and the 650

trade unions which, said Quick, are too often competing with each other and ignoring the

gest loans since the Second World War. But the conclusion

It says: "This country, for

grateful, cannot go under. The many billions which America, Germany and other countries

today Mr. Aage Deleuren, the editor-in-chief of the company, affirmed that it would be

central issue concerned free-

dom of expression In a sense

went on. New technology made it possible to improve the eco-nomics of running the news-paper but only if the labour

In a budget issued some time ago the management pre-

dicted that it would run a heavy loss this year unless

drastic measures were taken including the use of modern technology and dismissal of about 300 of the 1,000 technical staff. The unions refused

New ILO code to

An International Labour

force was reduced.

make life

at sea safer

Geneva, Feb 6

From Our Correspondent

which the world has to

country's needs.

partners,

European Director, said: "The task of the Athens experts will be to determine what should go into the agreement and how it is to be negotiated. They must tell us how strict control their governments are prepared to accept, and how fast they are willing to go in banning some kinds of indust-rial and municipal waste, and in controlling others".

UNEP has set up a network of countries, which are engaged in a two-year study of Mediterranean pollution. The laboratories are sponsored by individual governments, so that the latter will not be able to challenge the final findings.

Stern said the Western partners, including Germany, now had to provide Britain, through the International Monetary Fund, with its big-UNEP's proposals to the Athens meeting urge the governments of coastal states to adopt common standards in dealing with the treatment of hazardous types of sewage, such as sewage from hospitals and industrial wastes. Mr Thatcher hopes that the

treaty to control land-based sources of pollution could be ready by the end of 1978.

### have sunk in Britain are the Dangers seen for price of a rest-cure which may last many more years, but for which there is no alternative."—Reuter. defence of West Europe

Patis, Feb 6.—The Soviet-American pursuit of détente and the rise of Eurocommunism tion that could be dangerous for the defence of West Europe, according to a three day international conference that ended here yesterday.
One delegate, Mr Ian Smart assistant director of the Royal Institute of International Affairs in London, suggested that there might be a return of tensions between Western it was a perfectly normal labour dispute resembling what had happened at innumerable newspapers throughout the world, he told the Frederiks-borg Arais Aris.

Technology had produced systems requiring far fewer people to operate them, he want on New technology made. states. The time had come, he said, to redefine the Atlantic alliance: was it directed against communism or was its purpose to defend the ideals of liberal

democracy?-Agence France-

### Freed Chilean leader 'at risk in Russia '

From Our Own Correspondent

Paris, Feb 6
Mr Vladimir Bukovsky, the Soviet dissident freed last year in exchange for Señor Luis Corvalán, the Chilian communist leader, believes that Señor Corvalán would soon find himself in prison in Russia, "if he is an honest man".

Mr Rukowsky, who was a seak

Mr Bukovsky, who was speaking at a meeting in St Nazzire, claimed the arrest last week of Mr Alexander Ginsburg, another Soviet dissident, was very symbolic. "It proves that the Soviet Union had no inten-tion from the start of applying the Helsinki agreement", he

Organization expert committee is putting the finishing touches here to a new code of practice intended to make shipboard added. Mr Bukovsky defined the aims of the Soviet dissidents as "rediscovering public opinion life safer.

Much of it relates to risks encountered at industrial installations on land as well as encountered ar industrial in the country, and giving everyinstallations on land as well as
at sea, such as the danger of
explosions in bulk carriers of
could call the dissident movecould call the dissident move-ment a defence of civic rights", he said. "I come from a country where everything is for-bidden . . except when it is allowed. I come from a country where one can hold any political opinion one likes, but is forbidden to talk about them."

## petroleum, gas or chemicals. The experts, representing governments, employers and labour, say every ship must have a safety officer, nominated by the master and meeting regularly with crew representatives. Big gains for Communists in Greek student poll

From Our Correspondent Athens, Feb 5

The Greek Communists have scored big gains in the national student elections, capturing 265 of the 527 seats in union coun-cils. roughly 53 per cent com-terior, the Greek version of pared with 44 per cent a year ago. The elections were held on Friday to a background of in-

creasing violence and bomb out-Most votes went to a student organization of the Moscoworiented Greek Communist Party, which polled 13,038 out of a total of some 45,000 votes cast and won 148 seats.

There are about 80,000 students in Greek universities, but only just over half who had registered as union members

were qualified to vote. The student branch of the Eurocommunism, which is at loggerheads with the orthodox party, won 10,027 votes and 117 council seats.

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The group associated with Mr Andreas Papandreou's Pan-hellenic Socialist Movement, which won the largest number of seats in the previous elechunger and poverty hundreds of families of persecuted and imprisoned people tion, fell to third place with 102 seats.

Marxist belt across southern Africa takes shape

## Mozambique congress sings in praise of 'scientific socialism'

From Nicholas Ashford Maputo, Feb 6

OVERSEAS.

It could have almost been a scene from Rodgers and Ham-merstein. A provincial delegate ar Frelimo's third congress had Israelis and Arabs, and the Greeks and Turks, are putting just finished explaining how the factory where he worked had managed to raise its production of underpants and bikinis when the 330 delegates suddenly ranean countries are meeting in burst into song.
In a rhythmic, melodious

chant they were extolling the virtues of "scientific socialism" and praising the enlightened leadership of Frelimo, the Mozambique Liberation Front.

A good beginning for unin-hibited regional cooperation was made in Barcelons last year when representatives of 16 of The congress proceedings are frequently punctuated by outbursts of singing, sometim the 18 states approved three by President Samora Machel or by Mr Joaquim Chissano, his Foreign Minister. It is a pleasant, if somewhat unorthodox, way of launching a new "vanguard party" which is dedi-cated to the "universal principles of Marxism-Lenninism ".

There are in fact many incongress, the first to be held since Mozambique won its independence from Portugal.

The foundations of the "new

society" which Frelimo hopes to create are being laid on the site of one of the bastions of Portuguese colonial rule—the officer's club in Maputo. Its clover-leafed swimming pool looks inviting but sadly unused.

Frelimo describes itself as an alliance of workers and peasants, but the delegates are fitted out in neat, square-shouldered suits which would be more in keeping with a conservative party congress than that of one aiming at socialist revolution. The organization of the congress, which is being run on classic communist party lines,

Speeches are simultaneously translated into half a dozen languages for the benefit of fraternal delegates and the international press (which last year, is organized international press (which last year)). (which

journalist). Pretty girls in long dresses hand out copies of party documents, and the revolutionary chants which intersperse the speeches have clearly been well rehearsed. The sessions begin and end on time in very un-African fashion, except tor President Machel's marathon

nine-hour opening speech. He dominates the proceedings, his face almost continuously wreathed in a broad smile. The congress is the high point of his career, consolidating his control over party and country. It is his show and he clearly enjoys the praise which is showered on him.

There are 37 foreign delegations including 23 that represent Marxist parties in Europe, Asia, Africa and Latin America and six representing left-wing liberation movements in Africa and the Arab world. It is not hard to see where Frelimo's affiliations lie.

accorded to Senhor Alvaro Cunhal, leader of the Sovietinclined Portuguese Communist Party, and Senor Jorge Risquet Valdez, a senior member of the Cuban Communist Party. The Chinese and their Asian neigh-

The warmest applause was

bours are all absent.

The launching of an openly Marxist party in Mozambique, and the consolidation of its links with pro-Soviet communist parties, is an event of great significance for southern Africa. similar event is soon to take place in Angola when the ruling MPLA (Popular Front) holds would be hard to fault, its congress later this year. The always in deed.

Africa, to which Mr Vorster, the South African Prime Minister, referred in a speech

strengthening of the alliance between Frelimo and the main black nationalist groups in southern Africa-the Rhodesian Patrioric Front, the South-West Africa People's Organization and the African (Swapo) National Congress (ANC) of South Africa

These ties have always existed. But when Mr Joshua Nkomo, one of the joint leaders of the Patriotic Front and until recently regarded as one of the most moderate of the Rhodesian nationalists, starts talking about "scientific socialism" the extent to which left-wing ideologies are taking root becomes apparent.

As Mr Robert Mugabe, the other Patriotic Front leader, put "We must learn from the laboratory of Frelimo's experience."

Mr Oliver Tambo, president of the ANC, said that Mozambique was the dynamizing force for political, social and econamic change in southern Africa Frelimo's example would provide a basis for the establishment of a new society South Africa.

All the nationalist leaders empliasized the need for interrational solidarity to support t eir struggle. The Patriotic Front was strong declared Mr Mugabe to loud applause, because we do not stand

The strains of the session, sung in a multitude of tongues, show. that this support existed—in word if not

Call to UN over Ugand 'torture' allegations

By David Watts on the United Nations Costsion on Human Rights last Amnesty International (1) to study gross violation human rights in Uganda

President Idi Amin power in January, 1971. 'A report by Amnest Uganda has been ser member states attending commission's session.

The report admits then no reliable figures for number of people who been killed or disappeared 1971, but the estimates between 50,000 and 30 Torture has become an a routine procedure in some and police detention ce according to the report, cularly at Naguru Makindye Many victin killed while being tortur

Apart from whipping common tortures are: prisoners are ordered to each other to death w hammer, and then the st is shot; prisoners are to crawl over upturned imbedded in concrete prisoners are given car with which to kill one ar The report says that af-Bloch during the Israe on Entebbe to free the

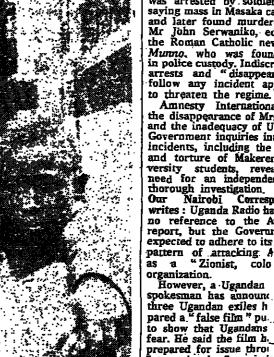
gers of a hijacked jet las many witnesses who knet happened to her were The Kenyan Governmen plained to the United that 245 Kenyans had c the wake of the raid Mass killings in the numbered in the thousa

1971-72 and 1974, say report, and large numb lawyers, academics, re leaders, civil servants, c former politicians and j ists have been arreste subsequently '

disappeared last year was arrested by soldier saying mass in Masaka ca Mr John Serwaniko, ed the Roman Catholic nev Munno, who was found in police custody. Indiscri arrests and "disappear follow any incident apto threaten the regime. Amnesty International the disappearance of Mr. and the inadequacy of U Government inquiries in incidents, including the versity students, revea thorough investigation. Our Nairobi Corresp writes : Uganda Radio ha no reference to the A report, but the Governor

organization. However, a Ugandan sookesman has announc

three Ugandan exiles h pared a "false film" pu to show that Ugandans fear. He said the film h. prepared for issue thro International Commissi:
Human Rights, with the ition of damaging the iri



Mr Timothy Sithole went into Botswana for his three children but returned with only two, iton of dar Knowledge (left) aged 13, and Elaine 12. His son Danny, 16, opted to join the guerrillas. Uganda.".

## Soviet journalist expelled | S African Catholics hear from US in retaliation

From Fred Emery
Washington, Feb 6
The United States, with
President Carter's express
intervention, has ordered the
expulsion of a Soviet journalist
from Washington in retaliation from Washington in retaliation for the expulsion of an Associated Press reporter from Moscow. Mr Vladimir Alekseyev, an employee of Tass and one of 36 Soviet citizens working here as journalists, was given one week to leave. He was specifically selected

because he is not believed to be engaged in spying. The Administration wanted its displeasure felt at the disruption of journalistic activities.

Mr Vance, the Secretary of State first summoned Mr.

was to give a concert at the ment spokesman asserted,

Kennedy Centre. He demanded that the Soviet Union should reconsider by the morning its expulsion of Mr George Krimsky, of Associated Press. When no change of heart was forthcoming, the Administration acted far more promptly than many of its high officials had expected.

Whatever the Soviet motives the fact that conservatives both

here and abroad might interpret the case as a test of Mr Carter's fortitude was felt to warrant swift retaliation.

"We regret this course of events, which is a step backward from the objective of improving working conditions for journalists contained in the State, first summoned Mr Helsinki Final Act, and from the more fundamental interest Ambassador, just before the Lenigrad Symphony Orchestra information", a State Depart-

## PLO leader misses King

Liberation Organization, left here today shortly before King Husain of Jordan arrived amid reports that they were to meet for the first time in six years. Officials declined to explain Mr Arafat's seemingly abrupt

King Husain came with his wife, Queen Alia as guests of participating.-AP.

Moscow, Feb 6.—Dr Andrei Sakharov, the Soviet scientist, has appealed for help in defending Mr Alexander Gins-

burg, the Soviet dissident.

He said that the arrest was a link in a chain of repressive actions. "How far this chain extends, and where it stops this time, depends on the reaction of the Soviet and made action."

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Damascus, Feb 6.—Mr Yassir President Assad of Syria who. Arafat, leader of the Palestine informed sources said, has been trying to arrange a reconcili ation meeting between the king and the guerrilla leader.

On Saturday Mr Arafat talked with Dr Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary General, reportedly on the chances of reconvening the Geneva Middle East peace talks with the PLO

## for clash over call-up From Our Correspondent accept that it was auton Johannesburg, Feb 6 the duty of Christians The Roman Catholic Church gage in violence and

in South Africa is heading for another serious clash with the another serious clash with the authorities over a report that it should support the individual's right to conscientious objection.

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is to be urged to defend this right on the ground that a war in southern Africa might be an unjust one.
There is no doubt that the Government will react ex-tremely angrily if the bishops

support the proposal. It is already vexed over the opening of Catholic schools to all countries.

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Admiral tipped
Washington, Feb 6.—Admiral Stansfield Turner, Commander-in-Chief, Allied Forces Southern Europe, and a former classmate at naval academy of President Carter, is favourite for the post of head of the Central Intel-ligence Agency.

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been prepared by Father Nolan, Dominican provi South Africa, who calls state to make provis alternative forms of service as is done in mo

races and is working on measures to enforce its official policy of educational segregation.

In 1974, the South African Council of Churches, to which the bishops' conference has observer status, passed a resolution stating that the Republic of South Africa was at present an unjust and discriminatory society and that it did not

He also suggests the should be sought to easily the cause.

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Strategy in space

Cape Capaveral, Feb American military s reported to be carrying mental devices desig counter any threat from "hunter-killer" satellit

### Sea claim will revive old quarrel Appeal to help From Peter Hazelburst Soviet dissident

Tokyo, Feb 6

In a move that is likely to revive long-standing quarrels with Moscow, Peking, Taiwan and Seoul, the Japanese Government intends to claim jurisdiction over coastal waters round three chains of disputed islands when it extends the country's territorial sea limits from three to 12 miles this

Mr Ginsburg is the manager of a fund established by Alexander Solzhenitsyn, the Russian writer, to aid jailed dissidents and their families, The islands are the Kuriles, occupied by the Soviet Union at the end of the Second World War, the Senaku chain which is claimed by both Peking and Taiwan, and Takesh-ima island, which has bede-Our Washington Correspondent writes: Mr Solzhenitsyn, who lives in Vermont, said that the action against Mr Ginsburg "reflects the decision of the villed Japan's relations with South Korea since 1952.

Mr Fukuda, the Prime Minister, revealed the Government's intentions yesterday when replying to questions in

Party.
His statement is likely to

Kuriles. Tokyo insists that they was Chinese. are historically Japanese territory and successive Japanese Cabinets have refused to conclude a peace and friendship treaty with the Soviet Union until the islands are returned.

The controversy about the Senksku chain of five uninhabitated islands, 115 miles north of Taiwan, erupted in 1969 when a research team reported that the surrounding seabed had a rich potential in oil resources.
The following year Taiwan

invited an American petroleum company to carry out a survey in the area. Japan then laid claim to the Senakus, declaring

members of the Japan Socialist since 1895.

Party.

Taiwan claimed the provoke an angry response grounds. In 1970 Peking from Moscow which claims its claim on the basis absolute rights over the territory surrounding

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### Britons in search for Colombian waterway

## Nine women head into tropical swamps to find a lost canal

three Colombians has begun searching the jungles and Atrato river. swamps of north-east Colombia police will be following them for a lost canal said to have because of the dangers the team once linked the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.

They are looking for the Respadura Canal, believed to have been dug in 1788 as the

first waterway to join up the

The team, led by Miss Carolyn Oxton, aged 32, set off yesterday in torrential rain along the Atrato river from the town of Quibdo. Their start had been delayed for several days by organizational problems. They are travelling in three inflatable boats powered by outboard motors. by outboard motors.

Between now and the middle gical studies.

expedition of six Britons and intend making a documentary three Colombians has begun film on the wild life of the A small unit of Colombian

could encounter in the tropical jungle and swamps.

They were very cheerful and in good spirits", a local police chief reported from Quibdo after witnessing the expedition's departure. heavy rain, hundreds of people. officials and police turned out to watch the three boats, flying the British and Colombian flags, slide out into the turbulent

waters of the Atrato.

The first phase of the journey, lasting four weeks, will be taken up mainly with filming and zoological and anthropological studies. The group will then return to Quibdo before heading for the transport of April they expect to explore then return to Quibdo before about 800 miles of river and heading for the upper reaches

Bogota, Feb 6.—An all-woman swamp. As they search they of the Atrato and the Respadura swamp. It is there they hope to find the canal which is believed to have flowed into the San Juan river and thence to the Pacific Ocean.

Reference books indicate the canal was built by Indians of the Novita tribe so that they could cross from the Atlantic to the Pacific coasts in their small canoes.

Apart from Miss Oxton.

veteran of expeditions in Zaire and Jamaica, the British side of the team includes Miss Tessa Chodrington (film photo-grapher), Miss Josie Broker (radio operator), Miss Sue Hampson (mechanic), Miss Dodo Humphries (photographer) and Miss Medya Brydon (liaison and

The three Colombian scientists are headed by Señorita Maria Constanza Cubillos, an anthropologist.-Reuter.

## Detainee will contest Gandhi constituency

Delhi, Feb 6 .- Mr Raj Narain, a Socialist and one of India's political detainees, will stand against Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Prime Minister, in her own constituency in next month's general election, it was announced here

today. Mr Narain sued the Prime Minister for alleged electoral malpractices after she beat him in 1971. Her election was declared invalid by the High Court in Allahabad on June 12, 1975, two weeks before the proclamation of the state of emergency, but the court roling was later reversed by the Supreme

Mr Narain was among those arrested immediately after the state of emergency was proclaimed. Many detainees have been freed in the past week and all are expected to be released by next week.-Agence France-Presse.

Kuldip Nayar writes from Delhi: India's former President, Mr Varahagiri Venkata Giri, has appealed to the Prime Minister to lift the emergency "to prove that she stands equally for constitutional and democratic traditions ".

He said he had made the same demand in a letter he wrote to Mrs Gandhi in August,

It was Mrs Gandbi's support for Mr Giri in the 1969 presidential election in preference to the Congress Party's official candidate that split the party. The energency was the topic of two big public meetings held here yesterday and today. Mrs Gandhi, addressing yesterday's meeting defended the continua-

the work in the factories could be stopped, shortages created, law and order allowed to disin-tegrate and parliamentary pro-ceedings held up.

She made it clear that even after the elections there would be no return to the "preemergency era of indiscipline."
At today's meeting, Mr Jag-jivan Ram, who resigned from the Government and the Con-gress Party last week, said the emergency had done no good to the people. Defending himself for not having resigned earlier, he said that if he had done so, there would not have been any elections. He had to wait for the right opportunity.

Mr Ram said be knew how

the people in India lived because he had lived as one of them, but for Mrs Gandhi to claim that knowledge was wrong because she "had known all this from her cook and

Mr Jayaprakash Naryan, who arrived from Pama by air to address the meeting, told the people to be prepared to offer sacrifices if they wanted to save democracy in the country. The choice before the public was between slavery and freedom. The big public meetings have

set a trend of open discussions and there is less fear in people's minds than before. Most newspapers are still circumspect but something of the opposition has begin to appear on front pages. Comments are still very are afraid to open up. One explanation available is that censorship has been suspended and not lifted.

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In a manifesto last week, the

Liberals alleged violations of human rights in Paraguay,

called the Government a dic-tatorship and said there was a

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## In brief

### Quebec Premier in car fatality

Montreal, Feb 6.—A car driven by Mr René Levesque, the recently-elected Premier of Quebec, ran over a man lying in the road in western Montreal early today, police said. The man was dead by the time be

reached bospital.

The police, who interviewed Mr Levesque for two hours, said he had been swerving to avoid another man standing in the middle of the road when his car struck the man lying on the carriageway. Charges are not expected to be laid.

### Romantic détente

New York, Feb 6.—Mr Vyacheslav Nepomnyashchy, aged 30, who spent four years trying to leave the Soviet Union to marry Miss Kathy Theimer, an American he me in Moscow as a student, has arrived in New York.

## Girl's brain implant

Jane Newton, aged 13, from Stroud, Gloucestershire, who has been unable to walk or talk since birth, is to undergo au operation in Philadelphia next year for an electronic device to be implanted in her

### Amy Carter baptized

Washington, Feb 6.—President Carter's nine-year-old daughter, Amy, was baptized at Washington's First Baptist Church in the traditional Esp tist manner of total immersion

### King's peace medal Rivadh, Feb 6.-Dr Waldheim.

the visiting United Nations Secretary-General, bestowed on King Khalid of Saudi Arabia. the United Nations gold medal

## Eight guerrillas killed

Buenos Aires, Feb 6.— Argentine security forces have killed eight guerrillas here and in two provincial towns, a mili-tary communiqué announced.

### 50 hurt in riot Ankara, Feb 6.—About 50 people were injured, seven

seriously, when two left-wing groups armed with guns, sticks and stones fought after a teachers' meeting yesterday. Racetrack blaze

Homewood, Illinois, Feb 6.—
A fire last night destroyed the
Washington Park racetrack
grandstand, clubhouse and restaurant, but no one was injured

### Oil leaks into Hudson

New York, Feb 6.—A barge carrying 2,500,000 gallons of heavy fuel oil has gone aground in the Hudson River 40 miles

## ice for life' poll in Paraguay only Arricle 173 which limits a and have advised their followers president to two terms of office. 10 cast blank ballots in protest

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remove this proviso, permitting General Stroessner to stand again in next year's presidential elections.

He will also be able to stand in any further elections although Government officials say he has expressed no intention of doing so.

hours for the elections. But in Asunción, the capital, voting got off to a slow start after a muted campaign in which the opposition parties, apparently despairing of success, refused to participate.

ntion will amend sults are a foregone conclusion,

According to a senior Governate the establishment of tement official, the new text will principle of life presidency. at the establishment of the This means that the convention will be composed exclusively of members of the Gov-ernment Colorado Party, and there will be no opposition to the amendment,
Spokesmen for the main opposition Liberal Party, which

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oppose the holding of the elec-The state of siege in force since 1954 was lifted for 24 tions, have forecast that the official results will show less

convention which April to reform the tion.

They have declined to present candidates or appoint electoral officers, claiming that the reforement conclusion,

one of which is to be under the

the Supreme Court in Manila.

The Muslim code was pro-mulgated on the eve of the re-

sumption of a second round of peace talks between the Govern

ment and the rebel Moro

National Liberation Front to

end the Muslim rebellion in Mindango and Sulu.

month, are due to open tomorrow in Tripoli, Libya.

A first round of negotiations

held last December, also in the

Libyan capital, resulted in a

The talks, expected to last a

administrative supervision

## elections because the true re-sults would never be known. ims given new code of | Human error blamed for Chicago train crash

Chicago, Feb 6.-Human eb 6.—President status, marriage and divorce, y promulgated a marrimonial and family relations, succession and inherierror caused the rush-hour train crash here in which 11 tions, succession and inneri-tance and property, relations between married couples.

President Marcos in his de-cree also created three separate Muslim lower courts, people were killed and 172 njured, Mr James McDonogh, chairman of the Chicago Transit Authority, said last night. He declined to give further

details. But he emphasized that equipment was not to blame for the collision between two packed overhead trains in the city centre on Friday night. Mr McDonogh made the statement to reporters as four

separate investigations began to find out why "fail-safe" warning systems did not prevent the

rash. Investigations are being carried out by the Chicago Transit Authority, the National Transportation Safety Board, the Illinois State Senate Safety Committee and by a panel of mass transit experts from other

states. Two carriages plunged 20ft into the street below and two others were left dangling from the track.—Reuter.

## dead in burnt-out house

From Our Correspondent

Hongkong police and special branch officials are investigating the death on Friday night of Mr Bill Crum, an American millionaire whose luxurious coastal home in the New Terri-

Mr Crum, who was 57, was and in Korea during the war and later owned several United States military chubs in South

A number of United States Army officers were convicted of corruption involving Mr Crum's Vietnam enterprises. He declined several requests to appear before Senate subcominvestigating these mittees

### Oman. rebel leader Muscat, Feb 6.-Oman radio

The radio named the man as Mr Amr Ahmed Makhsheesh and said that he was accompanied by members of his family and a number of followers. They had been allowed to return to their homes. Mr Makhsheesh was said to

be a member of the command council of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Oman which led a 10-year anti-government guerrilla campaign, until defeated in December, 1975.—

### Law Report February 4 1977

The Laconia refuse the payment immediately Before Lord Wilberforce, Lord and to return it; that was done by Simon of Glalsdale, Lord Salmon, a payment order for the same Lord Fraser of Tullybelton and Lord Russell of Kiliowen teres, bank the following day. At [Speeches delivered February 2]

Where a clause in a time charter in common use gives shipowners the right to withdraw the ressel from the charterers' service "failing punctual payment of the hire", the right to withdraw arises as soon as there is a default in punctual payment. Where therefore the instalment of like fell due on a Sunday and the charterers said to pay it into the owners' bank at 3 pm on the Monday, the owners were entitled to withdraw the vessel from the charter at about 7 pm that same evening, as they did.

The House of Lords in so decid-Where a clause in a time charter

they did.

The House of Lords in so deciding overruled the Court of Appeal decision in The Georgios C ([1971] I QB 488) which involved the withdrawal clause in the Baltime form. Lord Salmon expressed the hope that by the present decision of the House the doubts which had troubled the waters about the effect of various hire clauses sinte 1971 would be finally dispelled.

Their Lordships allowed an appeal by Attica Sea Carriers Corporation of Liberia, owners of the vessel Lacoula, from the Court of Appeal (the Master of the Rolls and Lord Justice Lawton, Lord

and Lord Justice Lawton, Lord Justice Bridge dissenting) (The Times. February 27, 1976; (1976) QB 835) which had allowed an appeal by charterers, Mardorf Peach & Co Ltd, from Mr Justice Donaldson on an award by arbitra-tors stated in the form of a special case.

tors stated in the form of a special case.

The owners let the vessel on a time charter in the New York Produce Exchange form to the charterers for about three months and 15 days. The printed clause 5 provided that payment of the hire was to be made in New York in cash "semi-monthly in advance... otherwise failing the punctual and regular payment of the hire... the owners shall be at liberty to withdraw the vessel from the service of the charterers..." A typed addendum, clause 52, provided that hire was to be paid to owners "into their account with First National City Bank of New York, 34 Moorgate, Lopdon", to the credit of a numbered account. The contract rate per calendar month was \$3.10 per ton. The final interviews \$3.10 per ton. The same table \$3.10 per ton. The same tab

the credit of a numbered account. The contract rate per calendar month was \$3.10 per ton. The final instalment of the hire fell due on Sunday, April 12, 1970, by which date the market rate had risen to \$5.59 per ton.

The instalment had not been paid by that Jate, but on the arbitrators' findings, at about 3 pm on Monday the 13th the charterers' bank delivered to the owners' bank a "payment order". A payment order, as between banks which were members of the London Currency Sertlement Scheme, was the equivalent of cash, but a cus-Currency Settlement Scheme, was the equivalent of cash, but a customer could not draw on it until it had gone through processing within the bank machinery to credit it to his account, though he could make special arrangements for earlier drawing.

At about 3.10 the payment order was received and stamped in the bank's sorting office and then taken to the transfer office, where an official wrote on it a formula

an official wrote on it a formula meaning "credit advice and tele-graphic transfer Lausanne". At graphic transfer Lausanne Ar about the same time, another offi-cial, in accordance with instruc-tions earlier in the day by the owners' agents to the bank, tele-phoned them saying that the bank had received a payment order for the bire. The official was told to about 6.55 pm the owners gave notice to the charterers that the vessel was withdrawn from the

charter. In order to complete a voyage the charterers agreed to pay 58 per ton pending a reference to arbitration of the question whether the owners were entitled to withdraw owners were entitled to withdraw the vessel. The arbitrators found, and the charterers conceded, that as London banks were closed on Saturdays and Sundays, the due date for punctual payment of the final instalment was Friday, April 10. The arbitrators found that the owners had the right to withdraw the vessel and Mr Justice Doualdson affirmed their award.

Mr John Hobbouse, QC, and Mr Ian Kinnell for the owners; Air Anthony Lloyd, QC, and Mr Nicholas Legh-Jones for the charterers.

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clas Legh-Jones for the charterers.

LORD WILBERFORCE said that the appeal turned on the answers to only two questions. (1) What was the meaning of the withdrawal clause? (2) Had the owners waived the charterers' default in not making punctual payment?

His Lordship could find no ambiguity in the withdrawal clause. It must mean that once a punctual payment of any instalment had not been made a right of withdrawal accrued to the owners. It was incapable of meaning that a charterer who had falled to make a punctual payment could (unless the owners had waived the default) avoid the consequences of his failure by later tendering an inpunctual payment. He would still have failed to make a punctual payment; and it was by reason of that failure that the owners got the right to wichdraw. That was so decided on the same clause in The Brimnes in powerful judgments by Mr Justice Brandom ([1973] 1 VVLR 386) and the Court of Appeal ([1975] OB 929)—a decision inquestionably correct on the particular point.

The Court of Appeal in the present case was influenced to decide in the charterers' favour by its earlier decision in The Georgios C that a late tender by the charterers given before the owners withdrew the slidp, was sufficient to prevent the withdrawal.

His Lordship would make three observations on that approach. (1)

to prevent the withdrawal.

His Lordship would make three observations on that approach. (1) The charterparty in the Georgios C was a Baltime form providing for "payment of hire... in advance" and "in default of payment the owners to have the right of withdrawing the vessel". The Court of Appeal construed the words "in default of payment" as meaning "in default of payment and so long as default continues". His Lordship could not agree with that interpretation. If a provision His Lordship could not agree with that interpretation. If a provision requiring punctual payment must be strictly complied with, as The Brimnes decided, so also must a clause using the words. "in advance". A payment one day late was not a payment in advance and his Lordship could see no difference in effect between the two phrases.

phrases.

(2) His Lordship could not regard The Georgios C as establishing a general rule on interpretation applicable to the present case, or to other different clauses. There were various forms of the clause in common use—varying from the very strict to those with substantial periods of grace. The parties chose which they wished—or as their market strength allowed. The which they wished or as their market strength allowed. The court's duty was to interpret each

Clause according to its individual language. In his Lordship's opinion The Georgios C was wrong and ought not to have been followed in The Zographia M by Mr Justice Ackner in April, 1976, or in the present case.

(3) Apart from interpretation, his Lordship could not regard The Georgios C as establishing a general rule that late payment or late tender took away the right of with-

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tender took away the right of with-drawal, if not previously exer-cised. The supposed rule was achieved by describing the with-drawal clause as a forfeiture and then extrapolating into the field of withdrawal clauses in charterparties the law as to forfeiture in leases. His Lordship found the two

leases. His Lordship found the two types of contract—the commercial contract of time charter of a ship and the contract of lease of real property—too different in their objects, in the relation of the parties, in the purpose of the clause in question or the strictness which its purpose might require, to justify any general assimilation. The description of a time charter as a hire or demise of a ship was misleading; all that the owner did, in fact, was to agree to provide services, those of the master and the crew (whose wages the owner had—punctually—to the owner had punctually to pay) in sailing the ship for the charterer's purposes; and all that the withdrawal clause did was to

emittle the owner to cease provid-ing those services. That was a very different type of creature from a lease of land.

On the second question whether the right of withdrawal was waived by the owners, the charterers sub-mitted that on Monday, April 13. before the owners purported to withdraw the ship, they accepted the charterers' late payment of the instalment and so affirmed the contract. The arbitrators found that there had not been any waiter; therefore the charterers had to show that on the facts found the only possible conclusion must be that there had been pairer.

His Lordship reviewed the facts summarized above and said that all that was needed to establish waiver of the committed breach of conor the committee oreach or con-tract was evidence, clear and un-equivocal, that such acceptance had taken place, or, after the lete pay-ment had been tendered, such a delay in refusing it as might reasonably cause the charterers to believe it had been accepted. It must be obvious that the present facts did not amount to such waiver. Looked at unrechnically, the facts were that the money was sent to the bank, taken into the banking machinery, put in course of transmission to the owners, but

of transmission to the owners, but rejected by them as soon as they were informed of its arrival and able to define their position.

Put more technically, the bank, though agents of the owners, had a limited authority. They had no authority to accept late payments and still less to make business decisions about the continuance or otherwise of the charterparty; on decisions about the continuance or otherwise of the charterparty; on the contrary, they had express instructions to refer the matter to the owners' agents. On that basis they received the order—they had no right to reject it out of hand—and while provisionally starting to process it into the owners' possession, sought at the same time the owners' directions in accordance owners' directions in accordance owners directions in accordance with previous instructions. On those directions, they arrested the process and returned the money. The annotation of the payment order was an internal act done

Punctual payment of hire in charterparties not irrevocable, but provi-sional and reversible, consistent with an alternative decision of the customer which might he to accept or reject. The customer chose to reject, as rapidly as the circumstances permitted, and he

could have given no ground to the charterers for supposing that the payment had been accepted. The charterers did not act on any such Whatever the pattern of action was it was not punctual payment and not accepted in waiver of the unpunctuality. There was no basis on which the arbitrators' finding against waiver could be attacked.

The result of his Lordship's con-

against waiver could be attacked. The result of his Lordship's conclusions on the two points left the matter thus: (1) Under the withdrawal clause, as under similar clauses, including the Baltime clause properly interpreted, a right of withdrawal arcse as soon as default was made in punctual payment of an instalment of hire.

(2) The owners must within a reasonable time after the default give notice of withdrawal to the charterers. What was a reasonable time—essentially a matter for arbitrators to find—depended on the circumstances. In some indeed many cases, it would be the shortest time reasonably necessary to enable the shipowner to hear of the default and issue instructions. If of course the charterparty contained an express provision regarding notice to the charterers, that must be applied.

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must be applied.

(3) The owners might be held to have waived the default, inter alia, if, when a late payment was tendered, they chose to accept it as if it were timeous, or if they did not within a reasonable time give notice that they had rejected it.

His Lordship believed that those rules, which essentially represented the law as it was before The Georgios C could be easily applied by arbitrators and avoided the necessity for minute and technical inquiries into the exact times of payments and actions by banks. They did not remove the reed for charterers to prove that they had charterers to prove that they had paid punctually; and if the market had turned greatly in favour of owners, it was reasonable to expect a greater margin of care by char-terers. His Lordship would allow the appeal. Lord Simon, Lord Salmon, Lord Fraser and Lord Russell delivered

concurring speeches.
Solicitors: Clyde & Co; Holman,
Fenwick & Willan.

Bequest to National Trust

Latest wills

Mrs Catherine Margaret William-son, of Willingdon, Sussex, left £71,721 net. After various bequests she left two thirds of the residue to the National Trust for maintenance of properties in Suffolk and Norfolk, and a third to the Royal Horticultural Society. for educational development of Wisley.
Other estates include (ner, before duty paid; duty not disclosed)

closed):
Aylvin, Mrs Constance Emily, of
Hexham
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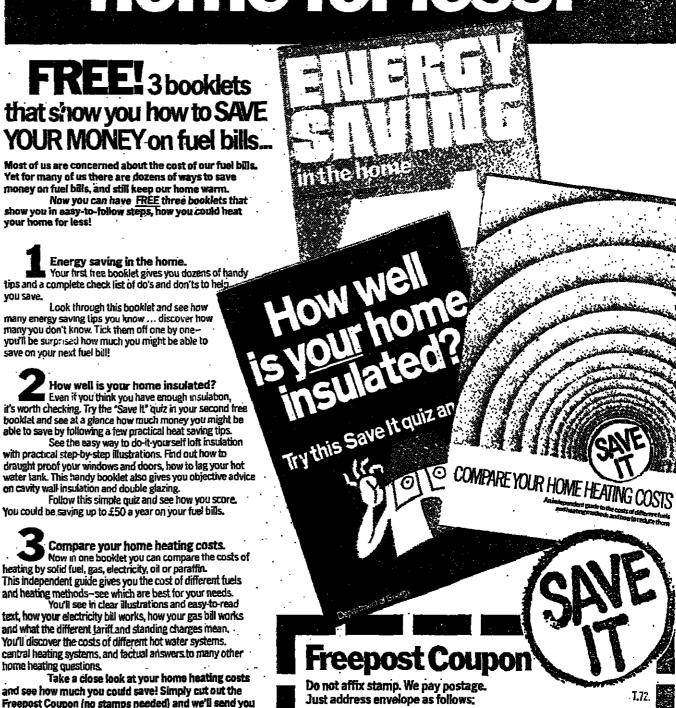
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Hongkong, Feb 6

tories was destroyed by a fire. born in Shanghai of American parents. He made a fortune from commercial operations in Japan during the occupation

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## **England** put six dark years behind them

From Peter West Rugby Correspondent Dublin, Feb 6

The Irish forwards began with characteristic clap of Celtic number at Lansdowne Road yesterday but it was the English pack who, long before the finish of a desperately hard and bruising battle, established their authoritative grip. England thought the going would be tough and, my

goodness, it was.

But the Irish are the most gracious and fairest of losers and, afterwards, one could find no one to suggest that the English victory to suggest that the English victory
by:a try (4 pts) to nil was not
hard-earned and deserved. It is
six years since England previously
succeeded in the championship
away from home, and 17 since they
began it with two wins.
As a result of a second disciplined and controlled perform-

ance, their renaissance under Roger Utiley now stands dizzly astride the championship and, though the way shead looks harder yet, they at least will receive the formidable Frenchmen on Saturday week without an inferiority complex and will then go to Cardiff next month with the triple Crown in their sights.

If there was an element of luck in the execution of the only score in an unspectacular but honest game, the English build-up to it was impressively fashioned. Midway through the second half Horton won a short lineout on the right and Corless, having received a pass from Cooper they the right and Corless, having received a pass from Cooper, then looped outside Slemen to establish a maul on the far left.
There was pleuty of green cover but the England forwards arrived in strength and Kent fed back the ball from the maul. Slemen appeared outside Cooper and Hignell selvanced through the middle before putting in a little middle before putting in a little chip for Squires. England's right wing managed to scoop up the ball backwards and inside, where-

Cooper gathered it just short of before he grounded the ball, was awarded his first try for England awarded his first try for England by the firm and good-humoured Mr Palmade. With all the ball obtained by their resilient backs, should have scored more often. But, with a slithery ball on tacky wilson, who had a secure and lirish pack to p Wheeler away. The Irish backs, sometimes aligned too flat and, with Mc-been a try from England, it could be suggested, should have scored more often. But, with a slithery ball on tacky wilson, who had a secure and cise whereabouts.

Only France's own mistakes prevented them from beating Wales more emphatically here yesterday when they provided nearly all the brute strength, tactical thrust and adventure, in a gripping match. Wales had their trief moments in counter-attacks but chiefly their role was reduced to courageous and dogged survival as France won by a goal, two penalty goals and a try (16 pts) against three penalties (9).

Whether this proves to be France's year in the international championship and, in the time honoured phrase, an end of an era

for Wales, it might be fractionally premature to say. Certainly France's visit to Twickenbam a

week on Saturday, remembering that England have now won two

assumes a significance which

would never have been en-visaged before Christmas. France



Leader of the renaissance: Uttley, England's captain, waits to feed his backs.

courageous Young burrowing away close to the forwards or Cooper chipping through towards the corner, or, sometimes, Corless putting in some measured, longer kicks, Once England had weathkicks. Once England nad weam-ered the opening storm, they rarely looked like losing.

In that period, when Duggan briefly ruled the tail of the line-out, the maestro, Gibson, effected one typical dummying break but he also missed a kickable penalty. In the second owners, when Engne also missed a Mckable penalty.

In the second quarter, when England found their poise. Young broke a renewed Irish advantage by darting clear of a ruck on his own line and McGrath ruined another Irish chance with a poor feed from scrummage.

feed from scrummage.

In the second half, Gibson threatened early danger with a perfect chip towards the post.

Later, when Ireland had the luxury upon Horton's right boot, in a timely arrival on the scene, pro-pelled it with model accuracy to of two consecutive winning rucks, Siemen's instant tackle on Wilson scotched the second move and a fine fall by Hignell, with a clearance by Cooper, put paid to a promising kick up the touchline from McGrath.

are among the factors to be sorted out. Poor Edwards for the second match running did not get the help every strum half needs, and

for the second match in succes-

he had a subdued time.

Many of the virtues in this splendid display by France tended to emphasize the Welsh disappointments, even though it must never be forgotten that the French, where it mattered, were mostly heavier, taller and often faster. France won an overwhelming share of the possession; Romen's diagonal kicking ahead between the full back and the wing three-quarters was far better done than Benneut's; and above all, that French knack for the morthodox

France, as elways seemed likely

away.

He missed a difficult conversion as well as two first half penalties but in other respects made only one minor mistake. It was Ire-land who survived most of the land who surviven most of the closer calls and Cooper who figured prominently in them. He made a few errors as a kicker, once ineffably with an awful slice across his posts, but only once, with an inaccurate pass, with ball in hand.

One day Cooper will string it all together in a faultless display

One day Cooper will string it all together in a faultless display but this, overall, was as effective as any of his matches for England. So it was, too, for Coriess, who on one occasion in the first half might have moved good rucked ball rather than kicking it. A dummy scissors by Cooper with both centres set up Hignell for a chip for Squires that Bowen saved on the Irish line.

A swift loop by Cooper promised

A swift loop by Cooper promised much until Grace came in to flatten Kent. And late in the game Cooper knifed through the Irish pack to put the dashing Wheeler away. There might have been a try from that but the supporting Squires, cramped for room, came inside his hooker and Wheeler was unaware of his precise whereabouts.

both achieved a higher workrate than auyone else on their sides. Fouroux's early passing was not always on target, though this aspect improved later, but his main contribution came as strategist. The way he calmed down his forwards in their more wrathful moments; too, was important. Bastlet, the No 8, Imbernon, Palnie and Paparemborde to

Palmie and Paperemborde, to single out the four gleans who caused the most maybem in the rucks and ments are magnificent

rucks and mants are magnificent performers, but there were incidents when my sympathy was with the referred just as much as with their opponents. Mr Hosie, I felt, handled what could have been an inflammatory match well, with Palmie, possibly, the most noticeable recipient of his tolerance.

From the outset the pattern was set, with France using their easily gained possession to attack, and

wates bravely breaking away spasmodically from an interception or a dropped pass. Conditions were less tacky than had been anticipated and almost spring-like sunshine enhanced the fluid play. Martia, Cobner and Fenwick, with

going, they were happy to stick to their limited brief.

They mostly attacked the short side as the pack implanted itself supprise that Ireland did not attempt to put more pressure on deep in Irish territory, with the courageous Young burrowing away ligned! looked like anything but superiority in the mauls and a superiority in the mauls and a superiority in the mauls and a superiority at the ligned! superiority in the mauls and a surprising advantage at the lineout. In that department I made the first half count, from the decisive throws, 18—7 in their favour, and Utiley, given much freedom at the fail, won as much ball as 
Horton and Beaumont. This redoubtable pack has strength, skill, 
spirit and stamina. But has it the 
pace to cope with France?

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International table

Keeping the fidgety French selectors still

## Carmichael's record run may be ended

the 17sr Hawick tight-head prop and renowned scrummager.
Scotland's difficulties at forward, so apparent against England, are compounded by the There are suggestions emanating from north of the Border that the Scottish selectors, who began their championship season by dropping one of their famous British Lions, McLauchlan, from the front row, may leave out absence of Brown, who has been suspended from playing until early March. In his absence, and with obvious problems at Ioose for another, Carmichael, when they meet this evening to choose their ward, too, the selectors probably would like to move McHarg from team to play Ireland at Murray-field on Saturday week. The position of another British Lion, the captain, McGeechan, could be lock to No 8, the position he occupied last season, and to see him flanked by Riggar and Leslie, neither of whom was considered for the Calcutta Cup match for in danger, too. The Hawick inter-national, Renwick, is said to be fitness reasons. national, Kenwick, 15 and 10 be strongly favoured for a return to the centre, in which case McGeechan, if his place in the side is to be retained, would need to be switched to stand-off half.

Biggar seems sure to be recalled in place of Lauder, but Leslie is injured again and Brewster, who won his first cap against England, is likely to keep his place. McHarg may be kept where he is, with has won a record 46 Scottish caps, is to be ended, his successor there seems at the moment to be almost certainly would be Pender, no clear successor at lock. MacDonald again at No 8, because

## **London Irish use wind to** greater advantage

By Gordon Alian

London Irish 16 Blackhezih 10

London Irish scored all their points in the first half and hung on throughout the second to beat Blackhezih at Sunbury yesterday there is obviously a selection problem. points in the first hair and numg on throughout the second to beat Blackheath at Sunbury yesterday by a goal, two penalty goals and a try to two penalty goals and a try. Blackheath won so much of the ball in the second half that they must have been irked with themselves for managing to score only once.

If the run of Carmichael, who

only once.
The wind had much to do with The wind had much to do with the pattern of the game. It was behind the Irish in the first half, which meant that they were able, without much trouble, to keep the pressure on Blackheath. When Blackheath's turn came, they did the same to the Irish but not so productively. The Irish forwards faded to some extent after half-time and scarcely reached the Blackheath 25 mull the last 10 minutes.

on a pitch like porridge, the cash went seven points up in the list quarter. O Donnell, the 19year-old former Stonyhurst stand off half, kicked a penalty, and a moment later, straight from Black-heath's kickoff, Molloy scored a try. White took the ball on into the Blackheath 25 and Molloy stroughed it near the post Kalsey. grounded it near the posts. Kelsey-Fry kicked a penalty for Black-heath, but O'Donnell kicked another for the Irish and Hogan scored a try. This started at a

problem.

Just before the interval, KelseyFry kicked his second penalty for 
Blackheath, after Kerf and Williamson had made 60 yards down 
the left flank, only for Williamson to be obstructed. Jt. was 
Williamson who scored Blackheath's try early in the second 
half. Kelsey-Fry opened up the 
Irish defence and Williamson; with 
the benefit of an overlan, scooped the benefit of an overlap, scooped the ball out of the mud to go over in the corner. The remainder of the match was taken up mainly by Blackheath falling to score. Leopold tackled Kerr when he was almost clear. Williamson just missed a 50-yard penalty. A fortuous crossfield run by Sibley was checked at the last ditch. Of Blackheath's forwards. had an extra incentive to play for the Irish.

to play for the Irish.
LONDON IRISH: D. Leopold: P.
O'Donnell, P. Lavery, P. Parirey, B.
Donevan: H. Condon, M. Mahoney,
A. Newberry, K. Kennedy, L. While,
M. Mollay, D. Donohoe, N. Hogan,
T. Webster, P. Croity.
BLACKHEATH: I. Williamson: D.
Sibley, T. Rudson, W. Keisey-Fry, R.
Kerr: L. Byrne, A. Cushing: A. Troner,
J. Bond, D. Wookey, R. Rill, G. Bell,
M. Oliver, K. Shart, T. Jenes.
Referee: G. Crawford (London)

## French reject Sanson

French were tightening their con-trol and with Bastiat always prom-inent, they finally obtained the tries which had been threatened rugby federation have rejected the appointment of Norman Sanson, a Scottish referee, for the match against England in two yard scrummages in the right hand corner, saw the Welsh pack wheeled with ease, and Skrela was

France, who beat Wales 16-

weeks' time. Albert Ferrasse, president of the federation, said Mr Sanson lived in London and thus might not be impartial.

Mr Ferrasse also said: "We federation was linesman feel his refereeing is too strict, b...e yesterday, feel the revitalized English side are the greatest obstacle to their winning the grand slam. Ironically Mr

## Rugby Union results



would never have been envisaged before Christmas. France are their side to play England on Wednesday and even their selectors, the most fidgety in the business, seem unlikely to tamper greatly with vesterday's impressive combination.

There are four weeks before Wales play their next international match, which is against England in Cardiff on March 5. Yesterday's setback has to be remembered in confunction with the disappointments against Ireland last month, albeit in a game which was won. Obviously long days of deep appraisal are ahead, with possibly brave decisions required at the end of them.

It has become obvious that the reshuffled Welsh pack are not yet correctly structured and Squire's future must be in doubt. The Squash rackets

## Courtney helped by burst ball incident

By Rex Bellamy
Squash Rackets Correspondent
There will be no newcomers in the semi-final round of the third National Amateur Squash Rackets championship, to be played at Wimbledon tomorrow evening. Leslie, the winner two years ago. will play Hayton, the holder, and Courtney, the runner-up on each cocasion, will oppose Richardson, who reached the last four in 1975. The rankings suggest that Leslie will beat Richardson in Wednesday's final.

There was no need for any tiresome exercises in mathematics when the preliminary all-play-all series, contested in four groups of four at the New Croydon club, was completed yesterday. But the was becoming a little sentence to remained the preliminary all-play-all series, contested in four groups of four at the New Croydon club, was completed yesterday. But the was becoming a little will series, contested in four groups of four at the New Croydon club, was completed yesterday. But the was the mation's leading amateur three seasons ago.

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In two previous matches with Kenyon this season, but is seven when the should maker, if not the most highly trained athlete in the land.

Two of the survivors were taken to five of the fourth. Courtney was in two days), and, prediction for very same of the match was often the match was a soft touch for Chalmers had hit him on the mose, which was painfully discontent had been played 10 when the preliminary all play-all solutions and lost confidence in his short game at a time when his and the match was a soft touch for Chalmers had hit him on the mose, which was painfully discontent had been played 10 when the preliminary all play-all solutions and lost confidence in his short matched and the preliminary all play-all soluti

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Hockey

### Three new players in the England team

By Joyce Whitehead

Three newcomers were included in the England team announced at the weekend. They are Janet Edwards, of Gloucester and West, at right back, and two young players, Denise Haselden (Lancashire, North), at left wing, and Jane Swinnerton (Staffordshire, Midlands), at centre forward. Miss Edwards played one as a substitute at the end of last season. Janet Jurischka has been moved to left inner and Jennie Pippin (Devon and West) takes over the captainty from Anita White, who has retired.

On March 5 England play New Zealand at Wembley. The team is: P. Gibbon (Beritshire); J. Edwards
(Goucestershire). A. Lunt (Lancashire), L. Hurley (Leicestershire), S.
Wooldridge (Warwickshire). J. Pippin
(espisin, Devon). M. Souyave (Lancashire). V. Robinson (Hertfordshire).
J. Swinnerton (Staffgrdahire). J.
Jurischka (Kent), D. Haselden (Lancashire).

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On Sturday, South beat Midlands 3—2 in the last territorial match of the season, Both teams were striving for the win to prevent being bottom of the five territories competition, but if South could have achieved a 6—0 victory they would have gone to the top. As it was, West and North shared top place, though West were the only unbeaten side. South were third, East fourth, and Midlands bottom for the first time since 1955. The West had a great rise from bottom to joint winners in one season. It is fitting that their captain, Mrs Pippin, has become England's new captain.

Midlands:

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shire), Z. Jackson (Northampunchire), SOUTH: P. Gibbon (Berkshire); K. Dodd (Berkshire), C. Crays (Surrey), J. Allen (Surrey), S. Batten (Surrey), A. Baker (Sussex), S. Dodd (Surrey), S. Harding (Middlesex), S. Haiden (Sussex), B. Chadd (Surrey), J. Trickey (Hampshire), Umyfres; D. Turner and W. Heath.

## Middlesex find composure to win in extra time

By Sydney Friskin
Yorkshire 0
Middlesex 1
Middlesex have a date with
Wiltshire on March 6 in the final
of the county hockey championship, sponsored by Benson and
Hedges. The southern champions
defeated Yorkshire by a goal in
extra time yesterday in the
pleasant little valley of Ben
Rhydding on the fringe of likley
Moor to make their fourth entry
into the last stage of the tournament.

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The game was a two-act drama as tory of Yorkshire gaining ascendancy without doing anything tangible, and Middlesex regalning stability without doing anything spectacular. It was a familiar picture of a team recovering their picture of a team recovering their composure after early uncertainties to win in an exciting climax. Yorkshire might have been at least two goals up at the end of the first half, and their tale of woe continued in the second when Newton failed to score from a penalty stroke. It would be fairer, however, to give the credit to Brightwell for his magnificent save, after which Yorkshire lost their rhythm. The smooth runs of their wingers, Flora and Wood,

maintain pressure. Each of these players had a first class game. When Walker replaced Kullar

There was an element of harsh-ness in the penalty stroke awarded to Yorkshire when Dunion had to Yorkshire when Dunlon had bls stick played down at the top of the circle early in the second half. Brightwell was confronted by Newton and, diving to his right, made a brilliant save. Equally harsh was the decisive short corner which followed Walker's hit to the circle in the first period of extra time. The corner was well taken. The push-in by Alistair McGlinn was perfectly hand stonged McGinn was perfectly hand stopped

McGinn was perfectly hand stopped by Brookeman and Horst shot hard and true to score off a defender's stick.

VORKSHIRE: B. Dunn (Bradford): K. Taylor (Weiton): A. Copeland (Shelfield): D. Higham (Harrogate): A. Bolman (Sheffield): P. Newton (York): B. S. Flora Schembs-Lorichham: N. Yorks: Sheffield: Captain: N. Wood (Huddersfield): Milversity): R. Wood (Huddersfield): R. Horst (Spencer): P. Mardy (Hounslow): J. H. Thorne: Dulwich: captain: 1. S. McGinh: (Southpale): R. H. Brookeman (Hounslow): A. R. Horst (Monthatu: 1. S. Barrett (Hounslow): F. Mardy (Hounslow): March. Southpale): Milver: Southpale: Milver: Southpale: Milver: Southpale: Milver: Milver: Southpale: Milver: M

## - called Muldoon flight decid if Sea Pigeon runs

By Michael Seely

Pat Muldoon, the owner of Sea Pigeon, at present 8-1 second favourite for the Schweppes Gold Trophy, will fly from Edinburgh to Heathrow next Priday morning. After inspecting the course at Newbury he will then telephone Peter Easterby. If the going is any worse than good to soft, Sea Pigeon, whose scintillating victory Pigeon, whose scintillating victory under 12 st 2 lb in the Embassy Hurdle at Haydock sparked off a wholesale gamble on the gelding for the Schweppes, will be withhurdle of the season, to be run

This news will be doubly wel-come to the supporters of the favourite, Artifice. Not only would favourite, Artifice. Not only would they be glad to see Sea Pigeon out of the way, but the fact that he will be declared at the four-day stage of acceptors means that the weights cannot be raised and that Artifice will carry his original 10 st 10 lb on Saturday.

Drawn as I am like a bee to honey by the eternal fascination of the Schweppes, I refuse to embank on a detailed analysis of the weights. Last year, egged on by Michael Phillips, I composed a supposedly learned treatise which proved as misleading as it was long and boring. As our short list, which consisted of Fighting long and boring. As our short such ist, which consisted of Fighting Kate, Miss Boon and Tree Tangle, trailed in dispiritedly at the rear of the field. Phillips was speeding happily down the French motorway system en route to this skiing holiday, leaving myself and most of my colleagues shamefaced and humiliated as Irish Fashion, the flaw in the handicap which most of us had failed to detect, romped home by 10 lengths.

This time we have no intention of falling into the same trap: The history of the Schweppes shows that the race invariably falls to a horse carrying under 11 st, that stays well, has a touch of class and for one reason or another may have been underestimated by the handicapper. Artifice, whose claims we drew attention when he

claims we drew attention when he stood at 16-1, falls into that caregory. Since then he has won the Motorway Hurdle at Kempton. by four lengths.
Princely Mark and The Dunce,

Princely Mark and The Dunce, a distant third and fourth that afternoon, had a desperate battle at Wincanton last Thursday 20 lengths clear of their neatest riyal. Artifice's credentials now look impeccable. My each way fancy remains True Lad, who has been backed from 50-1 to half those odds. odds, While the struggle for power among those who seek to control our destines continues unabated and the Royal Commission on the Royal Commission of the Royal Commiss

and the koyal combination of the mass of evidence that is piling up in front of them, the real life drama of steeplechasing at its best had the Sandown crowd on its feet with excitement on Saturday. Jeff

King's course and drive grove was matched only bravery of the inexperien-brother to l'Escargot. Th three feaces which come experienced jumper. But Mill House were ev-perfectly and gained le

But all wasted as the odds-on f Tree Tangle, and Andrew loomed up menacingly ber last two jumps. Nothing King conjured a final ma leap from Flitgrove, Aw the fence like lightning, year-old fought off the of Tree Tangle to win by and a half.

Not for the first time son controversy raged ab nell's riding after the ra Marlborough jockey is a has got underneath him a challenges until he choos ever late the moment may Tree Tangle hates soft has a tendency to bree vessels and can produce one short run. The or criticism that you co-against the lockey is that have taken closer order ing the Pond fence, the home. By making up hi at the second last and the his time, uptil the fine Turnell was in effect as horse to quicken twice formidable task in such properties.

grove's achievement, wh fied the high nopes he h entertained of the horse, ten all over his face af Flitgrove's long-term ob the Embassy Premier se season, but first he m his rivalry with Tree ? the Arkle Challenge T Cheltenham.

The Turnells gained qu pensation when Bird achieved his anticipated the Oteley Hurdle. Is seven-year-old may or pion Hurdle, for which b favourite at 2-1. A decis Beacon Light's particir Cheltenham will be taken next race, the Champio Trial at Wolverhampton r day. It is most unlil Bird's Nest will run £10,000 Erin Foods Leopardstown's new race

### Leicester programme abandonec

The Leicester meeting tomorrow has been abandoned because the Lees, the clerk of the course, said : Further heavy overnight rain has completely wiped out the chance of any racing."

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### Plumpton programme

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14 0 Sandwich Bay, A. Neaves, 4-11-0

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6 212 Durham Town, K. Ivory, 8-11-5
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9 3-80000 Chocalate King, J. George, 7-11-1
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13 21pp-32 Backs Head, Mrs N. Whitfield, 11-10-0
14 00-6142 Early Silver, Mrs A. Finch, 9-10-0
3-1 Paddy's Delight, 4-1 Jave River, 5-1 King Shaw, 15-2 Fr 8-1 Chocolate King, 10-1 Bucks Head, 12-1 Durham Town, Sun others.

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Plumpton selections By Our Racing Staff
1.45 Champers Galore. 2.15 Old Smokey. 2.45 Bucks H.
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By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.15 Ramuk's Queen, 3.15 Cinchid. Sandown Park

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Umplers: N. Bruce (Eastern Counties), ites and D. Mercer (Western counties).

In the other semi-final match Wiltshire beat Suffolk 3—2 at Devizes. In the Midlands final of the national club championship Nottingham beat Aldridge 2—0.

Yesterday

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: Semi-final round: Wiltshire 3. Suffolk 2: Yorkshire 0, Middlesex 1 tafter extra time.

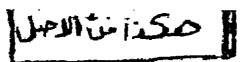
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fenders under treatment.

Francis is the latest in the series of forwards Mr Revie has tried to turn into that most elusive of people, the effective and reliable international goalscorer. The great hope is that Francis can succeed where several others have tallen regime of several others have fallen victims of some intangible freezing of natural fair. Yesterday he was certainly freezing, with his toes in an ice bucker after being injured in Birmingham's 4—1 defeat by Liverpool who extended their first division lead to three points because Ipswich Town's match at Queen's Park Rangers was postponed.

Rangers was postponed.

The game at Liverpool also brought a problem for the Republic of Ireland team who play Spain on Wednesday. Heighway hurt his knee and will need treatment today. So the week-end again showed why the international managers are so keen on having a clear Saurday before World Cup matches.

To understand why Mr Revie was so clearly concerned about Francis yesterday, even though he had not, officially, said the 22-year old would be in Wednes-50 chance of being 22-year old would be in Wednesne wouldn't play.
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22-year old would be in Wednesday's team, it was only necessary
to look at the names of the first
division's half a dozen leading
party, Pearson of Manchester
United, scrapes in at No 6. Gray,

Sunderland joyfully greeted what appeared to be their long-awaited goal, but the referee and lines-man were later proved to be right by the television camera. The

ball never crossed the line.
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for the wing half to overrun the ball after dribbling past the goal-

keeper, and Burns caught it just in time to squeeze in his shot by

as 18 of these were scored for Charlton Athletic he could hardly

Charlton Athletic he could hardly be considered experienced enough for international duty.

Macdonald (20 goals) may well come back into consideration against the weak defence of Luxembourg whom he should infinidate. Mariner (15) is said to he someone for the future, but as every match this year will be considered crucial to the World Cup plans it is difficult to see how Mr Revie can slip him into a team without being accused of yet more honeful, swamping

a team withour being accused of yet more hopeful swapping
Some claims for players outside the leading six scorers but within the party are getting stronger. Tueart of Manchester City, has three caps but has not really established his position as an international player. However, as Manchester City get nearer to Liverpool and Ipswich in the championship so Tueart and Royle look all the more effective. In Saturday's 2—0 win over Stoke City, they were the scorers and Tueart's goal was astonishing. He moved the ball through his own Theart's goal was astomisting. He moved the bail through his own half and beat all comers before scoring. Royle said: "He is one of the best strikers of a ball I have ever seen." Hitting an accurate shot is something for which England have not won prizes these past few years.



## lerland's young show promise

Rimmer made an instinctive save from a point-blank volley by Rowell; then the same young man squeezed his way along the left byline, only to see his efforts neutralized by a desperate clearance after Rimmer had fumbled. Yet the nearest Arsenal escape came when Brown hit the underside of their crossbar close in after Holden had swung airily at Arnott's cross from the left. Rimmer pounced on the rebound; Sunderland joyfully greeted what nishing fact that it and more than half e precise figure is ince Sunderland last league. So it was hat they failed to Highbury on Satur-

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## Stoke City now a long shot for relegation

Manchester City's unbeaten sequence of 14 games was due to expire at the Victoria Ground on Saturday. But as Stoke City were incapable of grasping the opportunity, Manchester City just knuckled down, thanked their good fortune and notched another triumph. That they were able to win easily 2—0 without any show of brilliance is an indication of the substance of their championship challenge this season. Manchester City's unbeaten

As Tony Book their manager, said afterwards: "In previous years we used to get walloped when not playing at our best. Now we fight and stick to the task. That's the difference."

Some heat was generated over the closing stages as Clarke and Rowell were "booked". Kerr and Docherty spoken to sharply, and a frustrated spectator invaded the pitch to swing boorishly at the opposition before being apprehended by police. However, from it all emerged the suggestion that in their young men Sunderland possess promising material. Yet their urgent need is goals.

Arsenal, of course, could also On such a day it was easter to criticize Stoke than to praise Manchester City. Now deprived of the glamour and artistry of Hudson, Stoke are just a shell of the exciting side that emerged a few years ago. They appeared from the players' tunnel in dribs and drabs and their play thereafter stuttered along, too.

Tony Waddington the worried their urgent need is goals.

Arsenal, of course, could also have won earlier. Dipping drives by Macdonald were twice kept ont in the second half by the alert Siddall, once with his feet, and then with an elastic left-handed dive; Brady and Stapleton each fired wide when well placed; and in the opening three minutes Macdonal put Ross clean through, only for the wing half to overrun the

Tony Waddington, the worried manager, dropped Tudor and Marsh in favour of two young forwards, Ruggiero and Goodwin, and if it was not a success it was at least encouraging. Though on leaving his office after the game he remarked: "I obviously picked the wrong ones—the reserves have just drawn three each at Maine Road." Stoke's build-ups lacked any in-

ARSENAL: J. Rimmer: P. Rice, S. Neison, T. Ross, D. O'Leary, P. Smpcon, A. Hudson, L. Brady, M. Macdonald, F. Stopleton, W. Rostron, SUNDERLAMD: B. Sidail: M. Docherty (Sub. A. Brown), J. Bolton, S. Elliott, J. Clarke, J. Ashuest, R. Kerr, K. Arnott, M. Holden, R. Lee, G. Rowell, Roleroe, R. C. Crabb (Exeter). Stoke's build-ups lacked any intelligent method: nothing seemed too difficult for Watson and Doyle to solve. Suddick, recently secured from Blackpool, showed perception but never Hudson's command. And like his predecessor he lacks aggression. In quality and attitude Stoke would seem to be heading for trouble—a long shot for relegation. Only Mahoney, Dodd and Shilton looked like winners on Saturday, and players like Salmons seem to have forgotten they have the stride and the stroke to beat the opposition. Stoke can console themselves with the prospect of far more home matches to come than anyone else.

For Manchester City Kidd and Royle were never quite in time and the team as a whole did not move as sweetly as in recent weeks. Owen and Power, their two discoveries, obviously still have a lot to say for themselves. City's frenetic start and much of their play had shades of Liverin time to squeeze in his shot by a post.

Those moments apart, the rest were mere pin-pricks as Liverpool took a firm grasp of the match. Callaghan and Case do not paint vivid strokes in the way of some of those around them, but the importance of the work they get through is considerable: Kennedy, too, did some valuable sniping and was distinctly unlucky to see one firm header thwack against the bar. In the van of the attack, of course, were Keegan, if Toshack, up against a difficult opponent in Gallagher, was not especially nimble, he still managed to be in the right place to claim two of Liverpool's goals, in addition, he was the victim of an alleged push by Gallagher which at last breached Birmingham by way of Neal's penalty kick seven minutes from the end of the first half. Five mimtes latter Toshack's head gave the fine deflection needed to take Heighway's tremendous shot just inside a post and, in the second half. Toshack was ideally post-City's frenetic start and much of their play had shades of Liver-pool. And the huge, buoyant Manchester following gave them almost home advantage—to the shame of a subdued Stoke choir. Manchester City scored after 37 minutes through a standard Tueart goal. Conroy, who had run spiritedly but aimlessly all afterspiritedly but aimlessly all afternoon, was simply dispossessed,
setting Tueart loose in his favourire situation. He outpaced a
scattered defence and efficiently
rocked away a rebound after Shilton had superbly blocked his first
attempt. Later on, with Stoke
searching for an unlikely equalizer
Tueart posed more problems with
accurate crossfield balls thumped
behind the retreating defence. And Heighway's tremendous shot just inside a post and, in the second half, Toshack was ideally positioned to score when Keegan's miskick came his way.

The afternoon's prime example of marksmanship, though, came from Heighway; as Kegan provided the final pass in a splendid Liverpool move. Heighway, at full steam, lashed a thunderboit past Latchford from the edge of the box. Roger Hunt at his peak would have been hard pressed to match it, accurate crossileid balls intemped behind the retreating defence. And in the last few seconds Owen stole the ball from Suddick and raced towards the unguarded Sullton. Twice again Shilton demed them entry before Tueart saw Royle more favourably placed—and possibly offside—story more stoley offside—story more story of the cheer more story of sibly offside—and his shot man-aged to find a route through. STOKE CITY: P. Shilton: A. Dodd. M. Pelic, J. Mahones, D. Smith. A. Ricor, J. Ruggiero, A. Suddi. D. Goodwin, T. Conray, G. Saldon. match it,
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Neal, J. Jones, P. Thompson, R. Konnedv, E. Hughes, K. Keegan, J. Cases,
S. Helehway, J. Toshack, I. Calleghar,
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M. Page, A. Styles, H. Kentall, A.
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MANCHESTER CITY: J. Corrigon:
K. Clements, W. Domachie, M. Doyle,
D. Watson, P. Power, G. Coven, S.
Kidd, J. Royle, A. Hartlord, D. Turart,
Referee; G. E. Flint (Kirby-in-Ashricki).

Third division

## **Crucial intervention** puts down Bolton

The Den, which was never one of football's stately homes, is going through what managers with of football's stately homes, is going through what managers with teams who are neither up nor down call "transition". It means walking on duckboards the builders have left and, for the time being, finding that last week's Gents could be this week's tea bar. After expressing his delight with a 3—0 win over Bokon Wanderers on Satmday, the Millwall manager, Gordon Jago himself had to ask how to get from the Press Box to the place the BEC men wanted him for Sports Report.

It was nice for Mr Jago to be wanted for the programme. To be honest the reason might have been that the BBC producer, like others of us who had really intended going to Queen's Park Rangers, had to do some ulfty tactical planning. The choices for the intrepid tube map reader were

intrepid tube map reader were Arsenal v Sunderland, which sounded most utilaviting, or Fulham v Charkon with its dated stars competing with Randolph Scott's 1953 Man Behind the Gun

on television.

Finding Bolton in town was fortunate. Their football is nearly latticed; a combination of strength and imagination brought together by the experience of their manager Ian Greaves, But this was not their day. Mr Greaves said they gained nothing and deserved nothing and although that was they gained nothing and deserved nothing, and although that was welcome honesty in these times of well rehearsed excuses it was also

as decisively.

Miliwall themselves were not quite worth three goals but certainly deserved the victory which encouraged their hopes of drawing level with the promotion chasers at the top end of the second division. Mr Jago pointed out that at about the same stage out that at about the same stage

last season they were lower than half way in the third division yet managed promotion. Bearing the club in second place the week hefore meeting the one in first. Chelsea, helped the cause of getting to the footballers Utopia called "There, or thereabouts".

The best of Bolton was seen in the letter cruses of the first half

The best of Bolton was seen in the later stages of the first half and early second. They had been gathering confidence for some time, with Morgan offering more chances than the other forwards could cope with. Millwall then made a crucial intervention. A free kick from Evans was headed in by Second and the danger of in by Seasman and the danger of in by Seasman and the danger of Bolton's takeover was put down. Tenacious midfield work by Brisley and Lee always made Millwall look busy. They also helped spread the game to the wings, which was exactly what Mr Jago had envisaged when he included Salvage who had been out of the team for four months with an ankle injury.

A moment of carelessness con-

ankle injury.

A moment of carelessness confirmed the direction of the game. McDonagh stepped outside the penalty area when kicking away and was spotted by the linesman. Salvage knocked the free-kick a few inches to Hazell, whose shot was as positive as his whole performance. Bolton lost hope when a powerful short-range header from Greaves was marvellously turned over the bar by Goddard. Another sloppey mistake when McDonagh rolled the ball to Jones who was dispossessed by Salvage cost them a third goal. Mr Greaves said all three were "shocking" and with that left for a quiet few days in Spain. He could be in for another surprise.

BOLTON . WANDERERS: J. McDonagh; P. Nicholson, A. Dunne (sub): H. Christi, R. Greaves, P. Jones, S. Allardyce, W. Morgan, N.

## Wolves one of two most likely promotion teams

their centenary season. Apart from Chelsea, they seem the most likely second division team to achieve promotion. There are a number of reasons for this. For one thing, their best striker, Richards, and their best creator, Cart, are both back to full fitness after, a long period of down and after a long period of doubt and apprehension. Also they have survived the departure o ftheir captain, Bailey, to the United States, without any apparent harm.

Wolves' best performance this season was undenbtedly their cup victory over Inswich Town Jast wictory over loswith Town last week, a victory that took so much out of them they almost came unstuck in the Molineux mud on Saturday, when they inflicted a 2—1 defeat on Noningham Forest, one of their main rivals for promotion, and the team who had also been involved it a cup replay a few days earlief. a few days earlief.

On a pudding of a pitch Wolves were so superior and had so much extra speed they seemed destined for a comfortable victory. Carr shot them in front after half an shot them in front after pair air hour, following a clever pass from Richards, and a few minutes later Lloyd, going up for a high free kick with Richards, deflected the ball into his own net. Two goals was a fair reflection of the way things had gone. All that was left, it seemed, was for Wolves to score another couple to finish the match off. We all underestimated Forest's

Fourth division

It would be a good thing to see Wolverhampton Wandcrers return to the first division in this, their centenary season. Apart from Cheless musto, who had missed the cup match through injury—Forest churned forward more and more menacingly. Forunately for Wolves, who might otherwise have had to fight desperately for a point, they were unable to score until the last minute through the admirably thrustful Chapman, substituting for the injured O'Neill since early in the first half.

half.

Forest confirmed the verdict of the experts—that Brian Clough their manager, has welded together a good mixture of experience and youth. Bowyer and O'Hare worked like mad in midfield when Forest were striving to get back in the game, but their most impressive player was Woodcock, a lightly-built player who showed considerable skill on the glucy streace. glucy surface.

yet one cannot praise too highly a man who missed two simple chances. His trouble seems to be that he tries to do too much. However, he was in good company on Saturday, for Richards and Hibbitt both missed equally good chances for Wolves. Richards's, in fact, was the miss of the match, a sad blunder for a man who is on the fringe of England selection. a man who is on the fringe of England selection.

WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS:
G. Pierce: G. Palmer. D. Paridin. S. Daley, F. Munny. J. McAlle, K. Hibbert. J. Richards A. Sunderignd (1915).
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HOTTINGHAM FOREST: J. Mindle-ton: V. Anderson, F. Clark. J. Mc-Govern. L. Lloyd. I. Bowyer, J. O'Harr. M. O'Neill (1905). C. Chapman).
P. Wilhe, A. Woodcock. J. Robertson.

### Bobsleigh Nehmer holds early lead to keep title

St Moritz, Feb 6.—Meinhard Nehmer, an East German army officer, retained the world fourman bob title here today, although besten in the third and fourth runs by Switzerland's No 2 sled piloted by Erich Schaerer.

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Today's fixtures

## Randall's spectacular sideshow livens up a dull production

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Cricket Correspondent Indore, Feb 6

Much of today's play In the match between MCC and Bombay, the national champions, made chess by Correspondence seem an chess by correspondence seem an exciting sport, in reply to MCC's first fornings score of 308 for four declared, Bombay reached 201 for seven. Yesterday Bombay howled 100 overs. Today MCC bowled 83. With one day to go only with the help of a touple of declarations is, there any chance of a result.

The weather has been as lovely as the cricket has been unexciting as the enthusiam has been promised. When MCC arrived here on Friday morning there must have been two thousand young people at the airport, which is eight miles out of town, to welcome them. Each day the ground has been packed, yesuerday to see each of MCC's first six batsmen earnestly trying to get some runs, today to MCC's first six basemen earnestly trying to get some runs, today to see a rather depleted Bombay side (four of their Test players are missing) struggling for runs. Fletcher played a lengthy innings for the first time since the opening match of the tour without batting particularly well. Woolmer played some nice strokes, Brearley

played as Brearley does, correctly and conscientiously, Randall scored 20 in the last over yesterday, just to show that the ball still can be to show that the ball still can be hit. Today Randall started by keep-ing wicket until be took a ball on hit. Today Randall started by keeping wicket until he took a ball on the point of the finger. After that he put on a sideshow on the boundary which included some spectacular stops. Brearley kept for a while in place of Randall before he too slightly damaged a finger which forced Tolchard to put the gloves on for the first time since hurting a hand in Madras.

With the Indian leg of the tour nearing its end and the last Test match occupying the players: attention, the main purpose of this game in Indore is to show the fing. I am sorry it has not been waved a little more vigoronsly, but not especially surprised. It was not the easiest of batting pitches today, with the ball turning slowly for the spin bowlers and coming through rather unpredictably for the faster bowlers. In a stay of 100 minutes Gavaskar was dropped twice, each time at slip; he still managed to make only 14.

make only 14. The freatment given to Miller means, I think, that he is being considered for a place in the team for next Friday's fifth Test match.

had much bowling scope today. The grass is said to be fast dis-appearing from the Bombay plich so it has from all the other Test pitches which could mean a chance for an extra spin bowler. If so neither Cope nor Miller bowled well enough today to strengthen his claim. They were held up for hour after hour by Mohanraj, a dugged lefthander, and struck for a good blow or true by Horall who a good blow or two by Ismail who had survived 50 minutes together, half an hour of it against the new ball when the day ended. MCC: First Immos. 708 for 4 with dr. (J. M. Brearley 76, K. W. R. Fleicher 65 not onto.

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## Middle order batsmen deny Pakistan their victory

St John's, Antigua, Feb 6.— Sound middle-order batting by the Leeward Islands enabled them to force a draw against the Paki-stani cricketers in the match which ended here yesterday.

Arrindell scored 51, L. Sargeaut 34 and V. Eddy 30 as the Leeward Islands stretched their overnight second innings score of 88 for three to 291 for a lead of 179. three to 291 for a lead of 179. Left with only 118 minutes batting, the Pakistanis scored 72 for one. Richards was dismissed for 34, but the Pakistani attack could not shake the later batsmen. Sargeant was in aggressive mood and scored a six and five fours off Javed Miandad in three overs. The Leewards, reduced to 10 men by the absence of the fast bowler, Gore, who fractured a finger during Pakistan's first inings, played a rearguard action throughout the day.

Any hope that Pakistan might get the necessary runs was quickly dispelled by the West Indies fast bowlers, Roberts, and Richards in the unusual role of an opening bowler. Roberts, bowling off a short run, produced a mun-ber of really quick balls which reared and had Sadiq Mohammad and his brother Mushtag, who opened instead of Majid Khan, in a lot of trouble. The Pakistani captain, Mushtaq

Mohammad, must have been satisfied with his team's performance. They would probably have won but for several hours lost through rain on the first two days of the four-day match, which opened the Pakistani's tour. His top batsmen showed in the first incings that they were already at home in West Indian conditions.

Top individual performances for the Pakistanis were a great innings of 143 by Majid Khan and five wickets for six runs in 25 balls by the seam bowler, Saleem Altaf; in the first innings. The middle and lower order Pakistan batting was not so successful, but it is difficult to judge ineir performance as they

clearly under instructions to chase quick runs. SCORES: Leeward Islands, 256 and 291 (T. Arrindell 51); Pakistanis, 348 and 72 for 1.

Boxing

### Greg Chappell boosts **Australians**

Wellington, Feb 6.—Greg Chappell hit 130 not out in an unfinished third wicket partnerstip of 209, which put the Australian cricketers on top after the second day's play in their match against Wellington here

today.

Chappell, the Australian captain, and his third wicket partner, McCosker, who was 89 not out McCosker, who was 89 not out at the close, wiped out the bitterness of the Australians' dismissal for 140 in the first innings. Wellington, 67 runs ahead after scoring 207 in their first innings, were shattered by the assault which took the Australians' second invited the property of the second in the second innings score to 280 for two.
Chappell cut and drove with power and elegance and reached his century in 139 minutes. In all he hit 24 boundaries. McCosker he hit 24 boundaries. McCosker batted soundly in a supporting role and looks set to reach the century mark on the final day tomorrow. Earlier, the Wellington tail-enders added 70 runs to their team's overnight score of 137 for six scores: Australia, 140 and 280 for 31 (G. S. Chappel 150, R. B. McCosker 82 not out: Wellington, 207 (B. A. Edgar 61: O'Kerfe 4 for 39, Bright 4 for 78).—Reuter.

in final by

West German

Desmond Douglas, England's top table tennis player, fell at the last hurdle in the men's singles final of the Welsh open championships ar Cardiff yesterday. Douglas was beaten 21—16, 13—21, 21—16, 14—21, 21—18 by Wilfried Leick, a 2 West German who bear Istvan Jonyer, the resigning world champion, in the semi-final round.

It was a fine performance by the 21-year-old, especially as he had been forced to use a borrowed bat. His six-year-old one was

broken in half in a doubles match earlier in the championship when he collided with his partner, Denis Neale.

Jonyer, of Hungary, who defends his world title at Birmingham in a few weeks, was heaten 21—18, 21—17 by Leick. The women's singles title went to Judit Magos, a former European champion, who was much too versatile for her Hungarian colleague, Beatrix Kishari.

Real tennis

### Twisted ankle leads to loss of vital rubber

Winchester, with Howard Angus, Alan Lovell and Peter Seabrook, retained the Henry Leaf Cup for real tennis at Queen's Club yesterday. This redoubtable trio beat Rugby 3—0 in the final round, having disposed of Eton 2—0 in the semi-final round on Saturday. The final had an abrupt end as, after Lovell had won the opening rubber against David Warburn, Geoffrey Atkins, the Rugby No 1, was forced through injury to Geoffrey Atkins, the Rugby No 1, was forced through injury to retire against Angus after Iosing the first three games. In going for a ball close to the tambour Atkins badly twisted an ankle. This gave Winchester a decisive lead and the third rubber in which Seabrook bent Richard Bray by 6—4, 6—2 was of academic interest. The result of the whole affair would mostly probably have been the same, but matches between Angus and one of his predecessors are usually interesting.

Lovell beat Warburg by 6—1, 6—2, 6—0, and that score certainly did not do justice to the loser. A considerable number of games went to deuce and many rallies were well fought. But the vital points eluded Warburg, who knew what he wanted to do, but often missed his target under pressure.

pressure.

Both semi-final round matches went to the deciding rubber. That presented little threat to Winchester against Eton as Angus was the man who played it and beat Jeremy Reiss by 6—2, 6—3. But Rughy'z win over Harrow was a close affair after Afkins had lost Roderick Bloomfield, whose aggressive play and heavier strokes were rewarded by a 6—3, 6—2 win.

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Table tennis

### Conteh show will Douglas beaten go on despite Cuello calling off Miguel Cuello, the Argentine light-heavyweight, who was due to box John Conteb for the world

our joint content for the world title at Liverpool stadium on March 5, pulled out yesterday with a cut eyebrow. But the show will go on. His place will be taken by Len Hutchins, of Detroit, ranked sixth in the world, the promoter, Manny Goodali, said. The replacement came as the result of an hour's high-pressure business by telephone between the promoter, the World Boxing Compresident. Mexico City, and Hunchins's man-ager, Hank Groome, in Detroit. Sulaiman agreed to the switch and lant promoter amounced, after negotiating yet another hurdle on the difficult road to staging his first major championship contest. Having come to terms with Conteh and Cuello, Mr Goodal first had to get the agreement of the WBC in allowing the bout despite the fact that contracts were delivered several days after the official closing date.

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Then there was opposition from Cuello's joint manager, Umberto Braucini, in Milan, who had persistently said that the contest would not go on in Liverpool, because he had not given his consent and that it should go to purse offers.

News of Cuello's injury came in a news agency report from Buenos Aires. It said that the Argentine had cur an eyebrow in training and needed three stitches,

Skiing

### Stenmark first to win five in succession

St Anton. Austria, Feb 6.— Ingemar Stenmark of Sweden became the first skier to win five World Cup slaloms in a row world Cup statoms in a row when he swept to tictory here today. Stemmark, the World Cup holder, raced through snow and mist to maintain his remarkable run with a narrow win over Anstria's Klaus Heidegger. The 20-year-old Swede had a time of 110.38 seconds for the two legs which eave him a margin of nine. which gave him a margin of nine-hundredths of a second over

Heidegger.

The Swedish star is now 19 points ahead of Austria's Franz Klammer in the World Cup standings and 23 ahead of Heidegger, who was virtually unknown before this season. Today Heidegger had the fastest run for the second leg and he said: "It's the first time I managed a best run. I did not hope to beat Stemmark."

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Motor racing

### US trio triumph in Daytona endurance race

Daytona Beach, Florida, Feb 6.

A Porsche Carrera, co-driven by
the 1973-1975 winner, Hurley Haywood and two fellow Americans,
John Graves and Dave Helmick,
took over the lead with three
hours and three minutes remaining hours and three minutes remaining and sped on to victory today in the 24-hour Daytona endurance race. The race covered 2,615 miles at an average speed of better than 108 miles per hour.

Second place went to Martino Finotto and Carlos Facetti, of Italy, in a Porsche 935 rurbo, more than three laps around the 3.84-mile course. Reithold Joest, of West Germady, and Bob Wollek, of France, leaders throughout most of the event, brought their Porsche 935 home third after losing valuable ground with a naging valuable ground with a nag-ging wheel problem. Paul Newman, the actor and Mit Minter and Elliott Furbes-

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## Can Temple Bar be brought back?

Built in 1672, spanning the junction of Fleet Street and the Strand, the Temple Bar gateway was dismantled in 1878 and removed 10 years later to Theobald's Park in Herrfordshire. Over the past 40 years it has fallen into terrible disrepair, and is now in danger

of collapse.

A newly-formed trust plans to dismantle it once more, to re-erect it within the precincts of St Paul's and to restore its rotting fabric. At least £500,000 is needed for the rask.

Mr Charles A. Bane, a Chicago lawyer who hopes to raise a substantial portion of that sum from American sources, visits Theobald's Park today, at the start of a week's fact-finding, fund-raising tour. His arrival heralds a new chapter in a long, very English story.

There are no words inscribed on Temple Bar. Tablets which once bore the names of the mayors who witnessed its construction are long since lost or illegible. The royal effigies which the raddled beauty still flaunts, two on either face, are unidentified; other tablets, borne at her breast and on her flanks, remain blank, awaiting their first assault from the mason's chisel. None of her masters, either by rape or artifice, has seen fit to record his conquest on her limbs. None

of them, that is, except Time. The obvious epigraph, Si monumentum requiris, would be wholly appropriate to the Bar and the story that follows; but those grand words have long been attached to another, far grander work and although tradition also attributes the Bar to Wren, scholars have never been convinced.

In the only documentary evidence on the subject, a list compiled by Wren's son in 1720, there appears the entry 1675 Bar; but that list is generally regarded as unreliable, and by itself would be insufficient to justify a precise attribu-

Simply on stylistic grounds, however, Sir John Summerson, Curator of Sir John Soane's Museum and our foremost auth-ority on English renaissance architecture, is inclined to accept it. In a statement prepared for The Times, Sir John points out that the façade of a famous Paris church, St Etienne du Mont, is signifi-cantly similar to Temple Bar, both in style and proportion. That façade was completed in 1625, only forty years before Wren visited Paris; the inference, as

well as the influence, is clear. In any case, distinctions at that time between architect, designer, mason and builder were ill-defined and largely unim-portant. Joshua Marshall, Master of the portant. Joshua Marshall, Master of the Masons' Company in 1670 and 1677 and author of substantial works both in and outside St Paul's, certainly "built" Temple Bar between 1670 and 1672, in

collaboration with another master mason. Thomas Knight; but the two masons were working to a design that was probably settled in 1669, and it was in that year that Wren was appointed Surveyor General of the King's Works.

Whether or not it was Wren who conceived or drew the Bar's design, it is cer-tain that he approved it. "Temple Bar was probably the first building in the to be constructed under Wren's

authority", states Sir John.
Designed and decorated in the high classical manner, and constructed in Portland stone of a poor quality, the Bar consists of a main arch some 19 ft high, 21 ft wide and 17 ft deep, surmounted by a single chamber of similar dimensions and flanked by two much narrower arches intended for pedestrians. The gate-way's full span is of some 44 ft, and the addition of a broadly curved pediment means that its overall height is only a few inches less.

On either side of the upper chamber's two windows, on both elevations, there are niches in which stand four royal effigies—Charles I and II, James I and either (nobody really knows) Elizabeth I or James I's queen consort, Anne of Denmark—all of them in Roman garb. Eight Corinthian columns decorate the upper storey, four on each elevation. Sir John Summerson, in common with most critics, regards the design as immature. He points to the "amateurish" ouglistes in the handling of the min

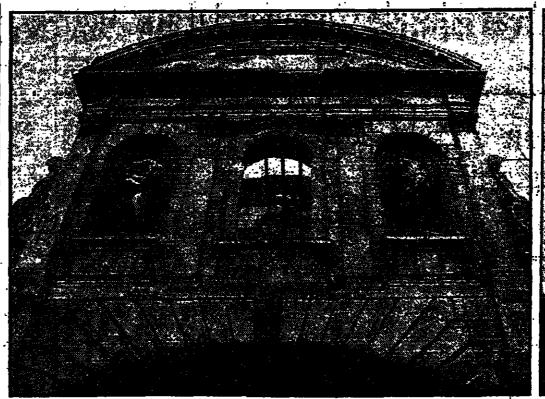
qualities in the handling of the main elliptical arch—"a difficult feature, admittedly, to incorporate within a classi-cal composition". At this stage of his career, says Sir John, Wren was still

learning.
Aesthetic considerations count for little, however, when the Bar is viewed un its social and bistorical perspective.

It is a rich perspective—romanic, occasionally gruesome, strangely moving in its impact on later sensibilities.

On June 20, 1684, the gateway witnessed the first act in a dong-running exhibition of grand guignol which was to continue for almost a century. One "quarter" of Sir Thomas Armstrong, conspirator in the Rye House Plot, was impeted on a pole and displayed, high and reeking, some 10ft above the pediment. Thirteen years later, on the collapse of a new conspiracy, the head and limbs of Sir John Friend, brewer, and the headless trunk of Sir William. Perkins, country gentleman, similarly expresed—"a dismel ly expresed—"a dismal sight, many pinied commenced John which

Evelyn. The head of Christopher Layer, barrister executed for treason in 1723, is said to have remained aloft for some 30 years, until it was blown off in a 30 years, until at was blown off in a gale and retrieved by a passing attorney; and it was not until Culloden had put paid to the last of Stuart pretensions that the Bar acquired its two final exhibits, the relicts of Francis Townley and George Fletcher, late of the Manchester Regiment, Horace Walpole records in his diary (August 16, 1746), "I have been this morning at the Tower and passed under the new heads of Temple Bar



Left: The Bar, photographed by Charles Settrington. Right: Lady Meux by James Whistler, 1881 (Prick Collection).

where people made a grade of letting; spying glasses at a half-penny a fook? A fuller story of these goings on is told, with gruesome pictures and great gusto, by James Herbert Wilson, a member of the Inner Temple, in Temple Bar: the City Golgotha—a slim volume published in 1853, at the height of one of the periodic outches directed at the Bar, with growing intensity, from about the end of the 1780s.

The outery that year centred, usually did, on the obstacle which the Bar presented to the fast increasing volume of City traffic, and The Times came our strongly in favour of its demolition. One of several letters which the newspaper carried records the main argu-

ments on either side.

"Sir", wrote a correspondent, from one camp, "Jack Cade did not knock louder on old London stone than you make the control of Temple-bar. But why? are knocking on Temple-bar. But why? 1. It is in the way. 2. It is ugly, 3. It is not a piece of antiquity.

"But cannot Temple Bar be taken out of the way without sending it to keep Gerard's hall crypt company at the Crystal Palace at Sydenham? Pull down. Child's banking thouse" (the Bar's neighbour and farmer of its upper room) "let bour and tenant of its upper room) Child's go to the Devil, as the Devil Tavern gave way to Child's (I have no account there)—put down the houses on the south side as far as Middle Temple gate " (there follow a number of similar practical suggestions) let the old bar stand!...

The Times, nor to mention George Street's grand designs for the Royal Courts of Justice, won the day. In the winter of 1878-79, by resolution of the Court of Common Council, the Bar was dismanted. The stones, carefully numbered, were carted off to a builder's yard in Farrington Street. They lay there, about 1,000 of them, for the next 10 years—exposed, expensive, a major civit

mbarrassment In 1888 the Corporation was relieved of its off-white elephant, as if by magicspecial brand of Victorian magic which required a lot of money. The magician was a brewer, Sir Henry Bruce Meux,

third baronet and owner of Theobald's Park, a massive country estate now almost engulfed in the northern outskirts of London but then in a pretty part of rural Hertfordshire. Providentially, Sir Henry applied to the Corporation for permission to remove the stones at his own expense and in his own drays, and to re-erect the Bor in his own park. His request was readily granted.

Sir Henry, still a young man in 1888, was married to Valerie (or Valorie) Susie Langdon, formerly a pantomime girl at the Surrey Music Hall and a bar-maid at the Horsesboe Tavern in Tottenham Court Road. Later to be painted (twice) by Whistler, she was described by her obituarist in The Tmes as having been a very beautiful woman, perhaps slightly lder" than her husband. Sir Henry had settled on her, on their marriage, £20,000

a year.

I owe this information, and the quotation which follows, to Victorian Patch-work by Cyril Pearl (Heinemann, 1972). "Lady Meux", writes Mr Pearl, "entered gracefully into the life of the English country gentlewomen. . . . (She) rode to hounds, raced under the name of 'Mr Theobald's', and had the high distinction f breeding the winner of the 1901 Derby, Volodyovski. At Sir Henry's death, in 1900, she became one of the richest women in England".

It is to the zest and flair of this amazing lady, this prettiest and richest of Temple Bar-Maids, that we owe the survival of Wren's monument. She it was who paid for it to be re-rected a few hundred yards from her great mansion on the edge of a woodland glade. Photographs taken regularly over the heat few years show the Bar in mint con-

dition, its stone clean and smooth, its glass and efficies intact. A new lodge has been tactfully attached on one side, and all the approaches are tended with the loving, professional care which only the

very rich can afford. On Valerie's dear Valerie's death in 1910 the Theobald's estate passed to Admiral Sir Hed-worth Meux, third son of the Earl of Durham, who changed his name from Lambton on the inheritance. A gallant sailor-it was his part in the relief of Ladysmith that had carned him first the admiration of Lady Meux, later her for-tune—much of his final years were spent in defending the Bar against a variety of campaigns to bring it back to London. Theobald's, he pointed out in a letter to The Times in 1921, had originally been a Stuart palace (in 1607 in a deal with Thomas Cecil second Lord Burghley, James I had exchanged it for Harfield House and turned it into a hunting lodge). It was therefore, he declared, a fitting place for a monument "intended to perpetuate the glory of the Stuart '. The campaigners were not con-

vinced but the monument stayed put-Theobald's Park mansion and the immediately surrounding land were sold in 1929, after the death of Sir Hedworth, and were divorced from the rest of the estate.' The "Stuart palace" became successively a botel, a troop billet, a secondary modern school and the adult education college which it is today. The estate suffered increasinglyvandalism—a post-war by-product of the district's bounding population. The Bar, most frequent of the targets for such arracks, lost its protective lead roof about 10 years ago and is today in a truly,

shocking state of decay and disrepair. During these years proposals and counter-proposals for the Bar's return to London, somewhere in London, have fallen thick as the leaves in Theobald's Park Private enthusiasm and ingenuity have been plentiful; public funds have been scarce.

Mr Ian Gilmour, MP, one of the beneficiaries under the Meux Trust to which the monument now belones, is a firm advocate of the return and regards the City's "philistinism" as the main reason why it has not happened before.

"There were loads of sites going begging shortly after the war", he says, "many of them just as suitable as the one now proposed, and at that time \$15,000 would have been ample for the job. But there were not enough effec-tive people in the City who wanted the Bar back badly enough, and all the chances were muffed." Fair comment on the postware foundary fair perhaps; this inner the different chairmen of the Bar-Trust, formed last. Nover pressly to bring the Bar-bark to is Sir Hugh Womaer; as a fore Mayor of London he is as "e he has been closely involved in : of previous schemes for bring

the Bar.

Sir Hugh's co-trustees are a p dent of the Law Society, the Re St Paul's, a City Alderman an-Sržy's Inn. Child's Bank, still : Street, is one of the trust's ! amende honorable for the effe ledgers on the gateway's ancien: A similar trust has already bec

in the United States to raise n the same object—a new form of Add (Jeshua, not George)his capacity as chairman of that Mr Bane will be visiting I Park today. Six Hugh Wontne its formation as a noble gestureally when there would have been custy in obtaining offers from to purchase the gateway for r in the United States".

The spot which the Trust the Bar lies in Chapter Hou part of and astride the passage runs along the norshern wall of The gateway would be free between the Cathedral and House, in line with but well behind the cathedral portico.

Nobody is likely to claim tha is perfect. One of the old lady's new neighbours, her close relati dwarf her by its majesty, the ot mock her by its puny irrelevance Proponents of the project c there is no site in London, let the City, which would not be some objection; that their historically apt; and that only is returned to London will privibe forthcoming on anything required scale. They also point in contrast to most of the a sites that have been proposed it Chapter House Court would practical benefits: ready "t pedestrian traffic, and a welcon ment to the facilities for co royal or religious, in the precit

Paul's.

Meaowhile, what of the bar?
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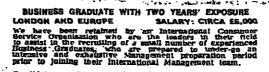
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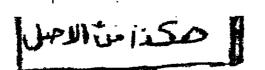
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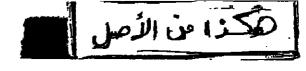
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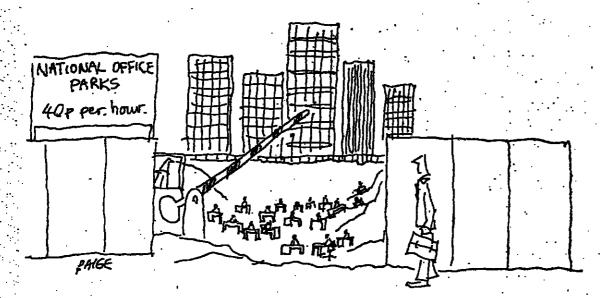




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## Is London really running out of office space?



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market this year. possible to see the postnce late 1973 in perspecking back it is clear that al priming the explosion values between 1970 and been completely un-

150 million so ft of net usable office space accounts for two-fifths of the country's entire office market, has seen rents remain in the past six months at levels last seen in 1970-71. An analysis of rent statistics carried out by stockbrokers Panmure Gordon shows that current asking rents of around £12 a sq ft in the City of London are 60 per cent below peak values in early 1974. In the West End current rents of £8 a sq ft for prime office space stand against the £14 a sq ft asked, and occasionally obtained, three years ago. The great leap forward in rents in the early 1970s has, therefore, been

completely wiped out. Even after this crash in rent levels the broker's statistics show that City rents have maintained an overall rise



of 500 per cent since 1960 and that West End rents have risen 433 per cent in the same period. An analysis of the supply and guesstimates of demand for office space rowards the end of the decade suggests that this underlying upward curve in rents will soon reassert itself.

A sluggish economy, an unemploy-ment rate of 6 per cent and rising, and public sector spending cuts involving reductions in local authority and central government staffs add up to a relatively weak demand for offices. While on the other side of the demandwhile on the other side of the demand-supply equation there are still offices under construction bringing a signifi-cant, if declining inflow of new space onto the lettings market. And the market with an historically high per-centage of vacant space, has been forced to accept the sharp downturn in asking rents of recent years. This imbalance of supply over demand is, however, slowly disappearing.

Market research work carried out by estate agents Richard Ellis, based on a conservative forecast of a 2 per cent annual growth in employment in the financial services sector, shows that in the City of London there could be an actual space famine by 1979.

The agents show that the annual take-up of space increased from 15 million sq ft in 1974 and 1975 to 25 million sq ft last year. And they forecast a take-up of over: 2.5 million in 1977. Against that the total amount of office space now available is shown at just over 5 million so ff net. And the projected take-up of space to the end of the decade far outstrips the scheduled completion of offices. Only around 700,000 sq ft of new City offices



are due to be completed this year, under ½ million sq ft in 1978 and less than 200,000 sq ft in 1979. Unless there is a dramatic change in the financial climate and it becomes possible to initiate new development schemes within the next year or so, only a sudden and unexpected decline in demand for offices can prevent a City-wide space shortage before 1980.

The aggregate picture suggests that City rents, although now stable and beginning to rise in money terms, are unlikely to rise in real terms before mid-1978 or early 1979. But once the balance swings towards demand the pace of rent growth should be dramatic.

One of the problems of taking averages and in terms of general rent movements is that it ignores selective changes. And it is clear that in the key financial areas of London and for large modern office units the recovery in

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Unfortunately thirty years of plan-ning cannot be undone overnight, and as a result what little modern factory and warehouse space available within London is rented at premium rates. Even secondary industrial space that would be lucky to fetch 80p a sq ft in Newcastle or Southampton is let at £2 a sq ft or more. And multi-storey warehouse space has been let at just under £3 a sq ft in the inner London

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Nevertheless, the underlying pattern of rents for both office and industrial space in the capital is moving upwards again. While 1977 may not see any dramatic upsurge, the groundwork has been laid for a rent boom before 1980 and short of political intervention it is market from picking up where it left off in the early 1970s.

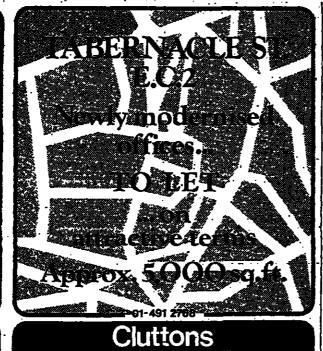
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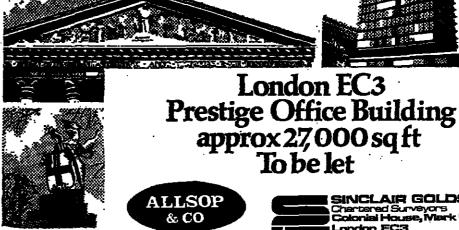
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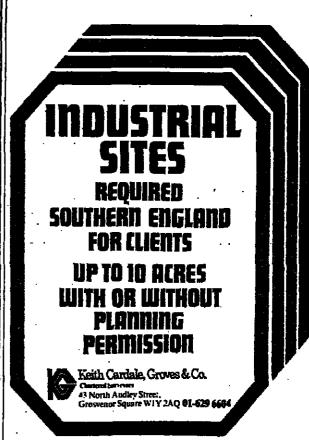
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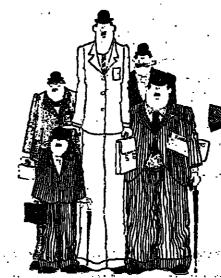
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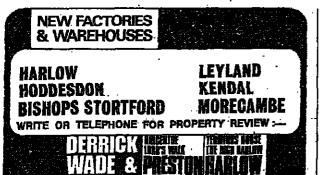
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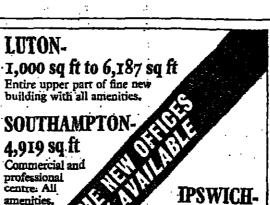
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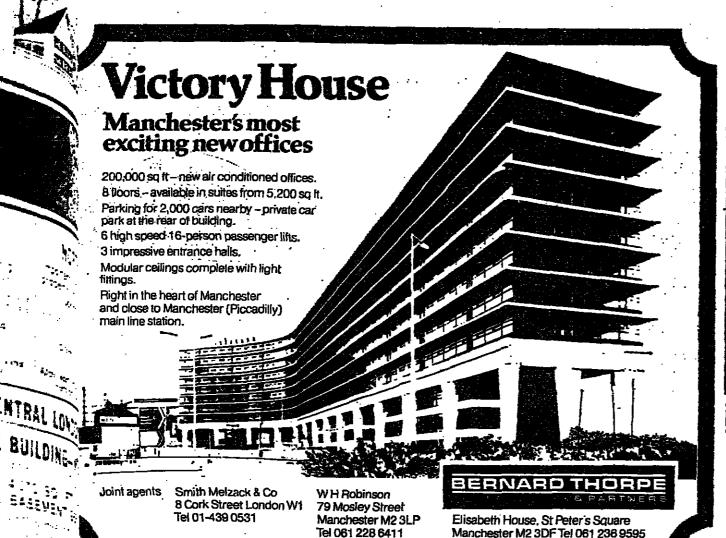
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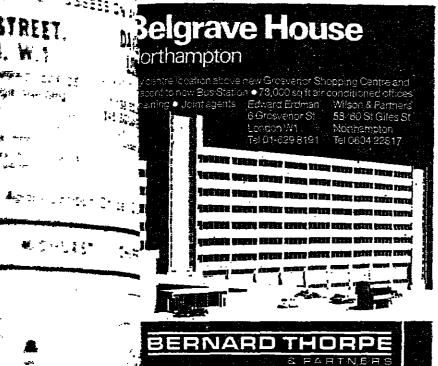
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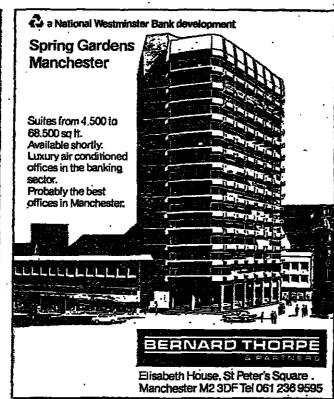


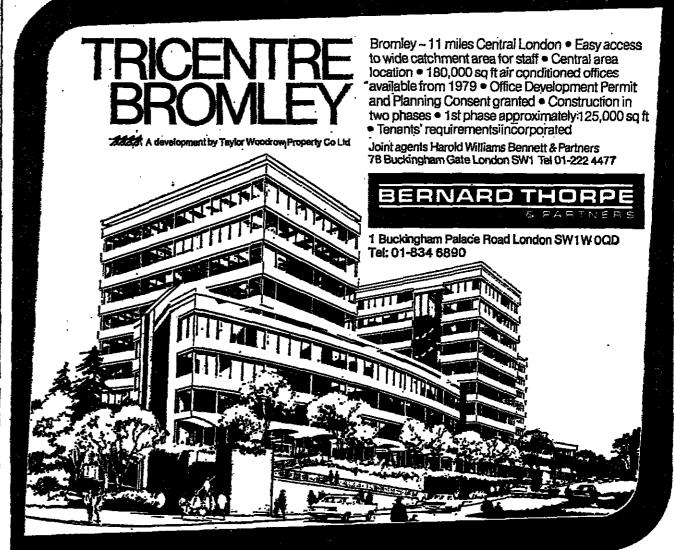
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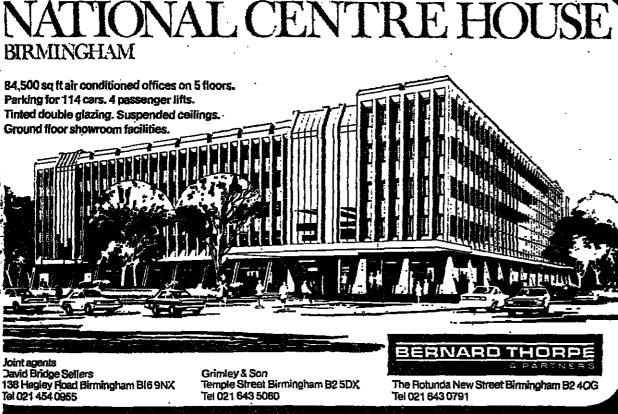
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## The provincial gravy train reaches the end of the line

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tion of local authorities outside London has now been completed, and the phasing out of regional employment grants this year means a cutback in projected private sector space requirements, 1977 looks a bleak year for the provincial markets.

The Location of Offices Bureau estimate that there is upwards of 19 million sq ft of unlet office space outside London, a vacancy rate of just under 8 per cent. A sizable amount of additional space is due to come onto the market in the next two years as schemes started in 1973 and 1974 reach completion, and so provincial rents, which held relatively stable in 1974 and 1975, could ease this year. North Sea oil and the influx of

international companies into the Scottish east coast regions enabled the office markets in and around Aberdeen and Edinburgh to strengthen when central London rents were crashing down in 1974 and 1975. But the recession is catching up with Scotland and a recent survey by Strutt and Parker shows that with 307,000 sq ft of unlet space in Edinburgh and a further 318,000 sq ft of speculative space under construction, current prime rents of £4 to £4.50 a sq ft look vulnerable. The Scottish market may benefit if Devolution proposals generate the expected growth in local government jobs. But in the meantime the markets are static to weak although, exceptionally, modern space in Glasgow is now poised to break through the £2.50 to £3 a sq ft barrier.

In the main cities of the midlands and the north over-supply problems have resulted in concessionary rents and long-empty offices. Leicester, overofficed for some years now, and Birmingham are both suffering a marked decline in rent levels. Birming-ham's modern office rents have

already slipped from the range £1.60 to £3 a sq ft depending on location and building quality in 1975 to between £1.30 and £2.50 a sq ft last year. Rents in Nottingham, Newcastle, Leeds and Manchester appear to have stabilized with top rates of £2; £2.50; £4 and £3.80 a sq ft respectively. In Bristol, one of the provincial boom towns of the past decade, the relocation of major insurance company administrative offices and government departments has long since absorbed all but two of the city's major office schemes. Their size is such that the vacant space has no impact on the demand for smaller units which, helped by the introduction of high speed trains on the Bristol-London line earlier this year, keeps rents up in the £1.75 to £3 range.

In the south east, London's overspill areas have been hit by the fall in central London rents. Companies have been able to renegotiate leases at rates which make relocation unnecessary. And in Savills's latest market review the agents report that Croydon rents, which usually set the pace for the overspill towns, have fallen from a peak of £7 a sq ft to current asking rents as low as £4.50 a sq ft. Elsewhere in the south east rents have stabilized at around £2 a sq ft for modern space and £3 a sq ft for air conditioned offices rising to just under £4 a sq ft in the tight Southampton market and as high as £5 a sq ft in one instance in Brighton, where there is now a dearth of welllocated larger units.

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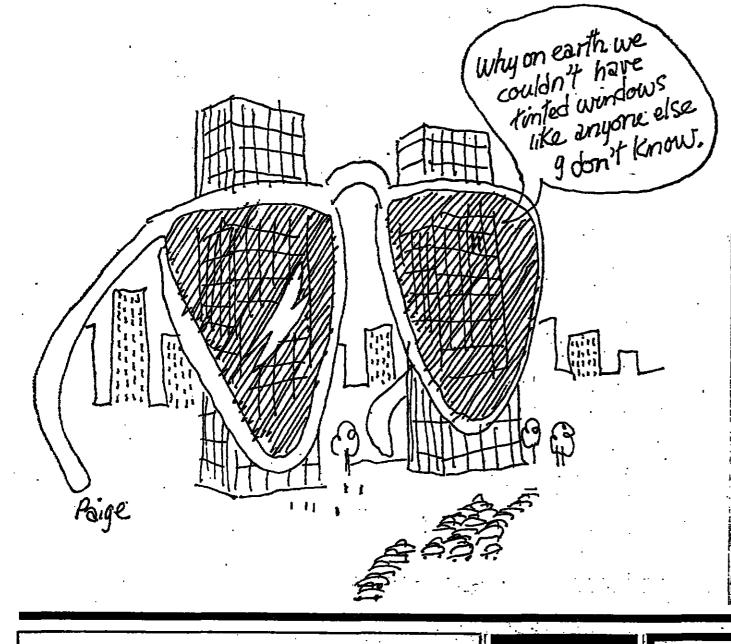
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since 1970 mean that few new schemes [ would now be initiated even if development finance were available. In the long run, therefore, demand will no doubt catch up with supply even in the

be a very long run. The picture for industrial property is considerably brighter. Although King & Co's industrial survey shows that there is some 80 million sq ft of Because of the development econ-omics of provincial office schemes, available around the country, that with their relatively low site costs and represents only 2.2 per cent of the more direct relationship to building total. And a further break-down of the more direct relationship to building total And a further of care to the more direct relationship to building figures would show that a substantial costs than London projects, static or proportion of the empty space is made up of older, multi-storey space away fold increase in construction costs from the new prime locations linked

to the motorway system. building cycle of industrial demeans that space can be produc in line with demand than offic yet, even with an apparen capacity problem the industricers have been the only section heavily over-officed midlands. But for industry to expand output in years. Their confidence in th much of the provincial market it will tual recovery in demand for purpose-built factories and war is shared by most of the leadir agents. A selective weakening trial rents is possible this ye ticularly in the hard hit area midlands and the north. But o looks as though the least sector of the market in the sin be the first off the mark on up again.







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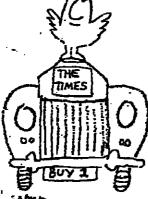
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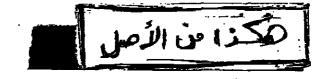
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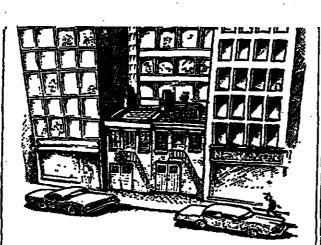
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## The Commons disaster threatening the devolution Bill may be the best thing that could happen to it

The Government's devolution of parliamentary politics and, the foundation for a new con- the slippery road to separatism their offices another layer of when he moved the proportional including those elected to the Bill is fast running into the the ministers in charge, Messrs stitutional framework in the —or indeed each in turn. bureaucracy. representation amendment European Parliament. Yet Bill is fast running into the quicksands of Commons procedure, with a solid core of Tory and Labour MPs doing their utmost to ensure that it sinks in so deeply that it never sees political system. the House of Lords, let alone the Royal Assent. In addition, there is a large body of uncommitted opinion in the its approach. The Conservative House which, as the debates opposition can unite, as it canhave progressed, has been not over its attitude to the Bill driven steadily to the concluitself, in refusing to help the sion that this is an unworkable Bill as it stands.

action was to look at a guillotine as the way out. They have benches, on whom the Govern-been forced to take the extra-ment whips cannot rely. ordinary tactic of offering a The simple parliamentary bogus referendum to entire sufficient parliamentary sup-

port for their timetable motion. The guillotine will mark one more example of bow funda-Government's whole approach to devolution. While previously eschewing any inter-party dis-work. They have every reason cussion on substantive policy, to assist the Government in they will now happily talk to legislating the present mish-all and sundry on the topic mash on the grounds that withof an imposed timetable. Fun- in the foreseeable future it may damental changes in the con-stitutional relationship of Scot-land and Wales to the United The 13 Liberals have a Kingdom are being attempted totally different interest—to without them devolution is through the normal machinery secure something that will be liable to be either a farce or

the ministers in charge, Messrs Foot and Smith, are but recent converts to the whole idea. The much vaunted flexibility of the British constitution cloaks the rigid inflexibility of Britain's

However, the balance of parties and of opinion over the Bill in the Commons may yet itself, in refusing to help the Government over parliamentary timetabling. There is a hard.
The Government's reflex core of some 30 or 40 anti-ction was to look at a guillo- devolutionists on the Labour

> Liberal and Nationalist Mem-bers. The 11 Scottish Nationalists and three Welsh Nationalists have, of course, no interest work. They have every reason

stitutional framework in the United Kingdom. The Liberals will certainly be using that bareximing power to get the Government to think again about the present muddle of expediency and gerrymandering that it dignifies with the title of the Scotland and Wales Bill. We voted for the second readinga vote in principle—so that Parliament could get down to the details of what devolution should involve; but, as I said in the debate, on the clear understanding that the Bill would need to be improved. Despite 11 days and nights of debate, the inflexibility of the Government means that we have yet to start that process. Devolution cannot be decided

in a game between the Govern-ment Whips and the Tory Unionists played by the rules of Erskine May. One of the earliest divisions took place on a wrecking amendment to ex-clude Orkney and Shetland, and it was only resisted by the votes of Liberals and others added to the Government lobby. Specifically, Liberal MPs will be seeking certain major changes in the Bill as currently proposed, both as tests of the

compromise at all, and because

First, the Government must look again at the disastrous mix-ture of accountability and irre-

sponsibility proposed for the new Scottish and Welsh Execu-tives. It is this explosive mixture which has rightly given rise to the most reasoned speeches against the Bill in the Commons. If the Bill is not changed fundamentally, Scot-land and Wales will each have elected governments, replete with mandates and a plethora of electoral promises and armed with a marvellous ser of minster (or, rather, Whitehall) fixing the assemblies' revenues, a Scottish Executive can problame England when there is no money to pay the travelling expenses. The assemblies must

The looming presence of the Welsh and Scottish Secretaries of State, able to check, question or reverse what Wales's or Scotland's own governments conflicts. At the same time, their presence in the Cabinet be a further cause of usy for the under-repre-

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and economic matters.

As The Sunday Times pointed exercise in producing fewer actually create more. Devolution can only be expected to work effectively when there is a direct relationship between political accountability and financial responsibility, between public money spent and taxes raised; and when the Scottish Welsh Secretaries have been declared redundant.

Second, if the Scottish and

Welsh people are not to be allowed to elect democratically representative\_assemblies, why have them? The Government's obstinate insistence in trying to impose a variant of the Westminster voting system owes they can best decide in com-nothing to any concern about mon for the whole country, and democracy, Scotland, or Wales, and everything to the fears that the aristocracy had before 1832. The proportional election system was almost the sole unanimous recommendation of the Kilbrandon Royal Commission on the constitution. did the system in 1974 produce Labour with only 36 per cent of the Scottish vote; the variant of multi-member seats proposed in the Bill would actually have jealousy for the under-repre- pushed this up to 59 per cent, representing the different parts place than a rubber stamp sented English regions, and As John Mackintosh pointed out of the United Kingdom and marked "referendum".

recently, next time it could be out recently, what should be an a massive majority for the Tory electoral expediency in 1974 minority in Scotland or the and nurtured by the midwives government bureaucrats, will Nationalist minority. The House of Lords seems likely to ask the Commons to think again about this. Is it too much to ask that the i's and cross the t's of new the Government agree to enter constitutional structures for into all-party talks about what Scotland and Wales. It is the would be the most appropriate roting system for the new

> But our criticism of the Government's approach goes far beyond these and other specific changes. We want to see a new political contract and regions which make up the United Kingdom, a new system by which they agree upon what what is better devolved. The Government is fumbling towards a massive breakup of the present centralized system of government with no clear idea what the new system will be, ment before Christmas demonstrated, has yet to start thinking about how England, or the various English regions, will fit in. It fails to seize the oppor-tunity to change the House of Lords into an elected body

through this Bill, conceived in of Whitehall, who hate the very idea of real devolution, the Government is seeking to dot worst, way to approach the

The Liberal Party does have a view of where we should be heading—an overall structure of government for Britain along federal lines. We do not insist on that particular pattern. But we will insist that the Government must rescue its proposals but by subjecting them to a much wider and more free debate. Why should we not adopt the procedure we have used many times in colonial situations and in Northern Ireland—a constitutional con vention of the interested parties to see whether agree-ment can be thrashed out on the fundamentals of a new constitutional order? We suggested this many months ago. The election of representatives to such a convention would enable a more detailed public debate on the various solutions to take

The Conservatives constructive proposal: Nationalists would have volve themselves in har out a stable relations tween their countries rest of Britain—or opt refuse to take part in co ing a settlement whic Scots and Welsh. The regions would be eng with the fact of devolu Scotland and Wales. could participate. Ot terests and expertise, the political parties, c brought in.

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But if the Governme headed belief that its pi concoction must be through Parliament b tional means, runs the later this spring or in mer, then perhaps we look at such a fundar way of dealing with suc constitutional change.

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Since then, the Ulster almost every other factor has changed, including the release in late 1975 of the last detainee. The case has already cost Irish and British taxpayers more than £300,000, as well as acting as a constant irritant to diplomatic relations and badly damaging Britain's reputation abroad. Over 100 witnesses have appeared in secret before the European Commission of Human Rights, which excised being leaked by Irish sources. from the British security forces their mames from its report for Although only given the status. When these men were flown

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Irish remain confident their stand will be exonerated by the court's 18 judges. We are court's 18 judges. We are more concerned in ensuring that no one is tortured in 1978 than proving people were in 1971", said one Dublin official. The likely outcome of the hearing has already been fore-shadowed in the Commission report published last year after being leaked by Irish sources.

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fore the Commission in May, 1974, they all flatly refused,

on government orders, to answer any question about the methods. This infuriated the Commissioners and added to the reputation for stone-walling which Britain has earned during the troubled progress of the

Behind the dry and complex legal arguments certain to dominate the Strasbourg hearings will lie the professional futures of the policemen and soldiers involved in the allegations and still operating in Northern Ireland—some now promoted to senior positions. The Irish Republic antioni-

ties, backed by pro-republican groups will be pressing tur action to be taken against them. The British Government is determined to resist calls for orosecution, disciplining. hard in the light of a judgment which came down heavily against Britain. "The whole

case is breaking new ground" explained one European lawyer 'No one can accurately predict

type. According to the FBI in recent years the organization has taken to calling itself by

a masty little euphemism. Cosa

Mafia may be dwindling to a dishonourable and unlamented

decline in the United States.

partity because of the disap-pearance of the old-style, partiarchal bosses, and partly because Italian-Sicilian culture

is at last emerging from its

shettos and becoming assimi-lated into the larger American society. There is some evidence that the Majia is declining in

that the Majura is declining in that has lasted 700 years obviously has deep roots. Land reforms after the last war weakened us hold on the

rural areas of central and

western Sicily; and it has accordingly moved its attention

on to industry, business, and building enterprises in the

urban areas. Its nefarious

name thrives and has become

internationalized, however, as a

flabby catchword which is rapidly losing all its strong

connotations and coming to mean little more than clan.

May the Mafia itself be us rapidly devalued as its name.

Philip Howard

There is some hope that the

Christopher Walker

## How the Basques could block the way to democracy in Spain

As if the Spanish Government has not got enough on its plate with the dramatic upsurge in political violence, Basques are demands for autonomy with ominous threats.

"The Government in Madrid must give us autonomy if it to be taught in state schools wants to govern," Basque and not just in private ones WEDTS nationalist Ramon Sota told during my ten-day trip to the Basque country in January. Sr Sota is no political extremist. He comes from one of the wealthiest families in the Basque country and is a member of the Basque Nationalist Party.

"If the government does not will be a total disrespect for it resistance from the vounger denotion or elements of our sectors quo. but officials refuse to accept the status quo. The Government realizes this and this is why it seems willing to negotiate.

In December's national referendum on the Suarez Government's political reforms there was an average abstention rate in the four Spanish Basque provinces of 37 per cent com-pared to the national average of 25 per cent. In Guipuzcoa and Vizcaya, the two large industrial provinces, the rate was 55 and 45 respectively. These very high figures far higher than the average European norm of abstention in political issues, reflected not just a vote against the antidemocratic way in which the referendum was conducted but much more the anti-Madrid government feeling.

During the Spanish Civil War the Basque country, which took the republican side on the whole, quickly fell to General Franco's nationalists. Their suctoriomy, established in all the provinces except Navarra, which was Carlist controlled and pro-Franco, was abolished. While General Franco was in power the firm hold over the country was never relaxed and any sign of Basque parionalism was swiftly and fiercely sup-

The Basque language, which is unique, was banned for official purposes and the red, white and green lkurrina, the Basque Nationalist Party's flag, adopted as the country's symbol, was idlegal.

When General Franco died Basques in Gueroica, the town destroyed by Hitler's Condor Legion in 1937 and later immortalized by Picasso, toasted the dictator's death with cham-page and honked their horns. Such was, and is, the anti-resime feeling, intensified more in the Basque country than in any other region in Spain.

Since Government has gone some way towards defusing the intense feelings of the Basques by legalising the use of the flag this month and promising to examine the language problem.

Basques want their language

and not just in private ones along with Castilian, the mother tongue. When the Ikurrina was raised in San Sebastian in the middle of January for the first time in 40 years, there were unbelievable emotional scenes as thousands leapt for joy, many dewy eyed like an old man who told me: "You don't know how much we have suf-fered for this ". One Basque in Orio raised

the same Ikurrina in the town hall which he pulled down during the Civil War. He kept the moth-eaten flag carefully wrapped up in his home until the great day. The flag rally-ing point for Nationalists, has been the cause of several deaths over the years; policemen pulling booby trapped Ikurrinas down and Basques killed while putting it up.

Presoak Kalera (Basque for political prisoners and the majority are Basques, most of them members of the separatist organization ETA. The organi-zation went into hiding in the Basque country and over the border in France after assassinating Sr Juan Maria de Araluce, president of the Guipuzcoa provincial delega-tion, and four of his bodyguards in October.

Demonstrations calling for

the Government to widen its amnesty and release all those imprisoned for politically motivated crimes of violence are reaching fever pitch. I was amazed to see in the Basque country the very wide cross section of people supporting this move and the moral sympashy and support for ETA. Basques are concerned that the Government's reintroduction, for an unspecified time. of part of the draconian terrorwill mean a severe clampdown on the relative freedom which is now being enjoyed. Political up to 10 days and bouses searched without warrant. Demonstrations are also banned. Basques fear that under this they will once again

ETA is surprising, but not so much when viewed in the context of the widespread anti-Madrid feelings. While a minority wants complete indepen-dence, like ETA, many more people do understand how it has come into existence. "I am sure that a Frenchman shooting a German in 1942 was not a crime", said Sr Sota, trying to justify ETA's violence on the grounds that it was "patriotic". Basques see the presence of the police in their provinces, most of whom are non-Basque, like that of an

invading army.
"We cannot condemn any Basque for using violence against a regime which is itself based on violence. It is a central government that is in power out of violence after having won the Civil War." Sr Sora stressed that the party was non violent, a member of the party is in the Opposition's negotiating team with the Government.

Sr Sota and other members have a party propaganda film which they take around, called ine immediate problem facing the Government is the issue
of whether or not to grant a
total amnesty. This is a burning issue in he Basque country
more than anywhere else and do so in Spain. It has also issued two illegal singles for becoming a common slogan almost 52 each. One of them is an old war song with the lines we are soldiers of Euskadi (the Basque country) to give

liberty to our country".

Another problem is that the police and paramilitary civil guards are still tending to act the way they did under General Franco when no questions were asked. Demonstrations have been violently crushed and arrested political suspects are sometimes severely maltreated as Basque lawyers told me. Although Interior Minister Rodolfo Martin Villa has said

that the Ikurrina can now be flown without people running the risk of persecution, some sectors of the police still seem to be taking the law into their hands. More than once while I was in the Basque country I heard of police victimizing flag bearers. On the same night as the gigantic turnout in San Sebastian a Basque coming into the city with a flag was stopped and the windows of his car

As a result of this kind of the area, who make up almost for the next Government that the labour force (emigration from the poorer parts of Spain to the Basque country has unless it concedes some hard considerable) have been considerable between the concedes some transfer of the poorer parts of the Basque country has unless it concedes some transfer of the poorer parts of been considerable) have become nomy. identified with the autonomy

A typical example is village in the provi Cuenca 13 years ago in the Basque country. works in a kitchen factory driving a fork li His wife is Basque an said: "Although I still my heart that I am Ca have inevitably become fied with the problem: He belongs to a strictly trade union.

Basques want control notice and of the fisca. as well as administrati neudence from Madrie about a third of the taxe in the Basque country invested in the area The Basque Nationalis

federal system and any national electoral force to have to take account views. ETA is calling over the border to join, four Spanish ones in e ing complete independe idea is totally impract apart from questions of getting rid of the front France.
"It is Utopian to exp

we shall achieve c independence", Sr Elosegui, one of the n of the pro-amnesty co-told me. Sr Elosegui know about extremes 1970 he set fire to him. jumped off a balcony of General Franco "Gora Euskadi Aska (Basque for "long live Basque country ") and nica, Guernica<sup>n</sup>.

He was 16 days in and four years in pris If, as may happen, t democratically elected ment grants some autonomy along the l that briefly enjoyed bell Civil War, then this take the wind out of t of ETA. But if the Gove refuses to give in, this only leave people, albe ably less of them, still their moral support Basque cause.

The armed forces hi is apparently against breaking up of Spr believes that once auto granted to one region. like Catalonia will try to The Basque autonom

William Cl

### with an Irish Mafia, and the bon mot was immediately plaphrase's originators, described as "the whole tribe of profes-sional publicists and vulgiarized to death by the trampling hoofs of a chousand sional publicists and vultrendy hacks. Sour remarks garizers who today imagine are passed about "the contemthat a little ill-will entitles

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The Godjather have beliefs of inextricable complex-

glamorous and peculiar people, Majia of melcontents among and turned its name into a vogue epithet. So the name of a society of predatory and ruthless criminals is applied indiscriminately to any secret Australian Majia at The Sunday of exchange society to any description of new houses, a major of new houses, and the major of new hou

or exclusive society; to any day Times, to name test a few closed circle or clique; and to recent discoveries of the secret

minent or powerful in a partic- with one popular but extrav-

There need be no hint of comminality in the association described by the new usage as a Majia, though the description of the de

tion is often, though not invariably, mildly uncomplimentary. John F. Kennedy was said to have filled the White House with an Irish Mafia, and the what Henry Fairlie, one of the

### Taking the jubilee to the Afghans

The Times Diary

If the mountain tribesmen of Afghanistan and the Kurds of traig are not already aware that this is Silver Jubilee year, they soon will be. The 300 members of the eighth Commonwealth Expedition, a sort of Outward Bound concert party, are this week making final preparations week making final preparations to bring the good news from Deal to Outacamund with the to bring the good news from Deal to Ootacamund with the aid of silver buses and a Jubilee

and India and a guest party It is a marvellous thing, pro-from the United States, will set vided that it is understood that out from the Royal Marine Barracks at Deal on Friday night friendship.

"A lot of the simple romgoodwill trip to India and back, ance of this country has gone.

departure includes, besides con-moving people around the And it is nice to get away from cert rehearsals, physical fitness world, we would all be much Belfast for a while."

programmes under the eye of Commando Instructors, and a 15-mile map reading exercise for ing the engines.

It is costing about £110,000 to mount this expedition, most Comex has been travelling the overland route to India since of it going on the custom-built silver buses. Lionel Gregory, the ex-Gurkha colonel who has commonwealth brotherhood to organized all eight expedimany a remote village on the tions, exudes an old-fashioned way. This year's expedition, pre-romantic idealism about the dominantly British but with con-tingents from Canada, Singapore "I believe in it passionately.

Show wherever they stop.

The expedition is run like a military operation. Ten days training with the marines before that if there was more of this run like a proper and the marines before that if there was more of this run like a great sentimentalist; I believe that if there was more of this running with the marines before

happier. The Jubilee is a par-ticularly appropriate vehicle for spreading this message." For this year's 60 concerts, which tell the story of Comex in comedy and song, Gregory has written a Jubilee song called Silver Train. He thought it should be played over loud-speakers in the London underlot of support for the idea.

Most of the expedition mem-bers are aged between 20 and 40, and include police cadets, who navigate, trainee fire officers, who drive, apprentices and management trainees from industry, who load the coaches, and ordinary people who just happened to apply, and who seem to end up as cooks.

April Sharmer and 20 from Avril Sharman, aged 29, from Bolton, read about the expedi-tion in a newspaper, and gave up her job on the production line of a television factory to join the party. Her mother was going too, and both had been assigned jobs as cooks, but Avril had landed the extra

responsibility of playing Jaw's harp in the concert. Robert Menage, a geologist and one of the 20 strong Northern Ireland contingent, will be a loader, and will play Irish reels and the spoons in the concert. "I thought £330 for four months was very cheap, cheaper than living at home.

The trip has cost the Canadians more than anyone else, because of the extra distance nd the wavering pound. They had agreed to pay any extra costs arising from devaluation. "That", said Colonel Gregory, embodying the whole spirit of the thing, "is the kind of Sahiblike conduct that makes a chap feel good ".

### Poor turnout

A clash of jubilee fixtures at lunchtime yesterday. A Mayfair gambling club invited me to a commemorative lunch, while Ultyd Harrington of the Greater London Council told me I should be at Little Venice, where a dozen mayors were going to walk on the canel. (In spite of canal ".)

to detect a connexion between gambling and the jubilee, and Little: Venice sounded more fun. So I braved the threatening weather and arrived there in

delusions of grandeur in some local councils, he meant " by the The former would certainly have been lavish, but I failed

time to see two trumpeters blowing a fanfare from the bridge over the canal. The 12 "Fiparian mayors as Harrington called them, had walked along the canal's length in their boroughs and

Some pearly kings and queens, who seem to have adopted the jubilee as their own, were there to greet them, but only about 100 other people turned un-since the event had been poorly publicized

Some bagpipers piped for no-clear reason, then Paul Rogers read the 25-year-old proclama-tion of the Queen's accession to the throne. Sir Frank Price. chairman of the British Water-ways Board, said his aim in jubilee year was to get all the towpaths in the GLC area opened to the public.

Harrington took sound an old loving cup, with burgundy in the top and port in the hinged bottom. Lord Ponsonby, chair-man of the GLC, cippled from it with several of the mayors, and I shared it with the Mayor of Brent

It was an appropriate choice. since I was born in his borough and moreover, being shorter than he, I qualified for the port.

### Brass

Jubilee fever is not restricted to Britain. A junk dealer in presented the Queen with what he claims to be the largest brass key in the world. He thought spice to give a token to be main triumph to date is token to be the largest brass whose main triumph to date is token to be the largest brass whose main triumph to date is token to be the largest brass whose main triumph to date is token to be the largest brass whose main triumph to date is token to be the largest brass are largest symbolizing the 24 towns and to have traced Edward Heath's passed under the royal window

memorate the jubilee, and knocked up the 30-inch key

become a persecuted nation.

The Governor of Pennsylvania, which has four Elizabeth towns, has signed a certificate. A second secretary at the British Embassy in Washington took possession of the object on Friday and will forward it to Buckingham Palace.

Debreu's, stud-book of the

### Antecedents

British monarchy and aristoc-racy since 1769, is celebrating the Silver Jubilee (as well as prospecting for new markets) by opening its genealogical ser-vices to Americans, Canadians, Australians, and others of British descent Since John

It offers to discover whether Americans and others are des-



This advertisement from The Observer magazine seems first glance to be a case of seriously short measure.

### Hymn for him I had already decided that the

bulk of today's Diary would British descent. Since joint Debrett started work on his first Peerage, Debrett's has concourated on indigenous Britons. Now, for its customary fee, it is opening an office in Winchester to conduct ancestry research for British kith and kin from overhave to be devoted to the silver in many papers.)
He told me that, having read

Sir John Berjeman's magnifi- From that look of dog cent jubilee hymn to the Queen, he was so moved that he felt Those eyes half-closed an he had to take a intenight I can tell what hell you stroll, and his route took him been thruby Buckingham Palace. As he Off you so then, back to then been nicked up in a boat villages in America called ancestors — fishermen and a slip of paper fluttered to the to be taken to Little Venice. Elizabeth, Elizabethtown, -ville, farmers in the West Country. ground—something which, by a

remarkable coincidence Hurrying to pick it of what appears to be less than a poem written Queen in honour of Si Betjeman. Here it is: In those off-days when Of being Queen's a dre

It fires me and inspires To have you as laureat Five long years we've be You've penned little in

But I know how hard it is Just to get the words to ... Very seldom—hardiv eve Has the muse inspired y ....

Will it be the golden ju Before she strikes again Don't take this as a con

For I'm not a Queen to g. Though the press (it's Say it's all a load of trit Those eyes half-closed an

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## URCH AND STATE IN AFRICA

is and the state authori-outhern Africa will be eepened if the Roman bishops conference in frica accepts Father port that the churches pport members of the ho refuse to serve in d forces in the event o defend apartheid. At ere is no such shooting the circumstances in rebody called up could serve either as a comin a non-combatant is still rather hypo-South Africa makes

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> churches are now esisting the unjust ther fronts. They have

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their remaining schools to all races. To concede this would not be to end some form of "petty apartheid" but to lay the axe at the root of South Africa's race segregation policy, and some Roman Catholic schools have not waited for the Government's reply to enrol non-white pupils. It is an act of defiance of more immediate importance than back-

ing conscientious objection, In the wake of the widespread riots by blacks, especially young blacks, last year, the Government is taking a tough line which would hardly permit it to give way. On the other hand, it is precisely because the racial issue is becoming critical that the Christian communions are all having to translate their principles on apartheid, worked out by their theologians some time ago (including those of the Dutch Reformed church), into practice.

Thus the two forces, Christian conscience and white supremacy, are grinding harder against one another. The "missionary fac-tor" in southern Africa has historically been very important and the Kulturkampf of today goes back to the early years of the Cape colony, when misfervour sionary fervour against Afrikaner slave-owning led to the sionary great trek and the long history of Anglo-Boer conflict. When the Nationalists came to power in 1948, and began to implement their apartheid policy, the Kulturkampf flared up again.

The greater part of church membership is black, and if the churches sustain loyalty to the white-ruled state they will lose the loyalty of their black membership—which is the body of the church. Black communicants see a choice between ever permission to open more determined nationalism,

increasingly Marxist oriented, and churches which seem-or seemed-part of the white power structure. The disillusion of the blacks led, earlier, to the loss of members by the churches to African local Christian sects, but now the churches have at risk a younger generation threatening to reject Christianity totally. In short, they have reached the end of compromise; their life is the issue now.

The dilemma of the churches in Rhodesia is a grim warning to churchmen in the Republic of what can come. Because the missionary, pastoral and educational ministry spread the churches through the rural areas and tribal reserves, they are now in frontline contact with the guerrillas. The guerrillas use them as refuges, sources of supply, even as recruiting stations (as the case of the black students taken or led to Botswana shows), and threaten to destroy them if they inform. Refusal to inform rather than lose the mission has put Father Egli in prison, and a still longer sentence awaits Bishop Lamont if he loses his appeal.

The churches, and especially the Roman Catholic church in Rhodesia, have supported their African members against the laws and practices of the Smith regime whose illegality has given them a little leverage that the churches lack in the Republic. But circumstances increasingly force them to take sides against the Government in the war, and will continue so to do unless there is a peaceful settlement. Church and state in southern Africa each accuses the other of fomenting the appeal of the very Marxism that would be fatal to one, and almost as disastrous to

the other, if it won the day.

### 'MORE UNDER THE HAMMER

re Towers had been in its problems as it e in the range of its there might have difficulty in saving it posterity. But, apart nd splendour, it has distinguish it from other great houses

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It is as a collection that Mentmore makes its claim. This limits the worth-while scope for the attempts which are now being made to meet the exactions of the Inland Revenue by selling off some of the pieces. It also marks as a course only of last resort the Government's reported plans to buy some of the finest items and let the rest be scattered.

The likely popular appeal of

the house may be judged from the success of Waddesdon Manor, another Rothschild house a few miles away, with a not dissimilar collection. It attracts a steadily public. increasing number of visitorsfewer than 70,000 in 1967, more than 96,000 last year (a figure fully comparable with Penshurst, Burghley House, Compton Wynyates and other houses far more famous and "historic" than itself). If the public had not been allowed so little access to Mentmore over the years, there would have been a far more widespread outcry over the way in which its fare has been sealed, with no open debate until only a few weeks before the auctions.

But even 96,000 visitors pay only a fraction of what it costs to run such a place. The problem with Mentmore, as with so many other houses, is not so much one of public acquisition as of endowment. Running costs, combined with the heavier death duties associated with the increased value of land, threaten the equilibrium that has protected

our great country houses fairly well since the mid-fifties. Tourism, grants, tax relief, private capital, and the National Trust, have saved many a Brideshead that would have seemed doomed thirty years ago. The state has not played at all a contemptible role in all this. But the system is rightly based on the idea of the self-sufficient country house, with an endowment (or devoted owner) capable of meeting regular expenses with modest public help, conditional on reasonable access for the

This system has failed to protect Mentmore. A mechanism exists in the Land Fund to allow houses to be taken into public ownership if they would otherwise have to he sold for death duties. But it does not satisfactorily meet the problem of running costs, and the fund would soon be exhausted if it had to support the upkeep of even three or four great houses. If new conditions are upsetting the balance of the past thirty years, and in the absence of public action to restore it the Government will find many houses on its hands that should not be lost and cannot be privately maintained. It would be politically very difficult to maintain more than a few of them publicly. Not the least alarming thing about Mentmore is that it may be the first of mauv.

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concile ourselves to the he referendum has come feature of our political rate when Labour holds precisely, " of our party ". For let there be no e the value of the now lies. It is being not as a constitutional by the people, in their sinstruct or mandate a but as a party manae whereby a divided
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cular problem bedevill-fichael Foot and his nagers was that withour of a referendum, opposi-Bill from backbenchers, e Lords, might waste the mentary session and end h of the measure.

" Let's not waste more time on the Bill than the 32 parliamentary days to which we are already pledged," Mr Foot says in effect. "It's not worth the Commons staying up all night twice a week until June or July on this wretched business when there are other things we could be doing. Don't blame me for the Bill; I inherited it. Simply stop being a nuisance. Stop doing the Opposition's work for them. And who are mere backbenchers to question—well, I do not say the perfect wisdom of the Government I am proud to serve—but the positively declared will of everybody involved, except six our of every seren voters in the doing. Don't blame me for the Bill; six out of every seven voters in the United Kingdom who happen to lie in England and Ulster? Let's get the guillorine, and pass the whole mess to the Scots and Welsh, or I

shall look like the biggest ninny who ever led the House and chaired the Cabinet legislative committee." The argument has its attractions. Ask almost any English member (there are roughly eight English voters to every single home-based Scot) and he will say that his constituents respond not at all to the Government's devolutionary adven-Government's nevolutionary attenture. They want to know what the Government is doing about rising unemployment, jobless graduates and school-leavers, short-time and school-leavers, short-time working, and a rate of inflation that cuts living standards day by day and week by week. So far as they are at all aware of the Scotland and Wales Bill, they resent it as a sideshow intended to distract them, like Roman circuses, from all that goes wrong in their lives. So, as Mr Foot advises, get the Bill out of sight with the minimum of debate, and then threaten the House of Lords that it has no right to stand between the Scottish and Welsh people and their self-chosen destiny.

A lesson needs to be learnt from Labour's referendum practice. Theoretically, a substantial argument could be developed in favour of the long-stop constitutional referendum, particularly when we have minority governments, or where public opinion may be thought to have changed during a government's lifetime or where the two Houses conflict. But in practice virtually every new democratic and constitutional device this century

has been given a party twist by the government in power. What could

be an advance in democratic method has been turned into an advantage for the government and its party managers. Did women ger the vote at 21

for instance, in the 1920s, because Baldwin thought the Conservatives would lose by it? Did Labour forget to calculate its interest when reducing the voting age to 18 years? Here I reach a main theme. We are in a day when frustrated politicians, political scientists, and commentators, having no successful answer to the big question how the United Kingdo a shall make a good living in the world, increasingly escape into speculations about changes in our institutions or democratic methods. They become obsessed with subjects like the machinery of government, invention of new tiers of government, abolition of the House of Lords or its reform, creation of new Commons committees, the drafting of a Bill of Rights, realignment of parties, or forms of proportional representa-

Some of these proposals have undoubted merit. Yet, first, none will be adopted unless it serves the terests of the parties alternating in government, any more than referenda would have been adopted by Labour without being misapplied to its own interest, or any more than Mr Heath or Sir Harold Wilson would have meddled with devolution in 1968 without calculating party advantage.

Secondly, where is the conclusive proof that our fundamental difficulties as a nation are institutional in origin? The only challenging rationalization of the contemporary obsession that I know came from Mr Tony Benn, chairman of a Labour committee busy with a hundred proposals for institutional and democratic change. Every 40 years since 1832 he says, much like Halley's Comet, there occurs a great institutional or democratic advance. He prepares for that day, and makes it sound convincing. He says that Labour must be ready with ideas for a new advance due in the mid-1980s.

The people ask today for bread, or at least work and some hope of economic success, and the politicians offer them stones tomorrow.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Bullock Report: progress in danger

From the Chairman of the National Westminster Bank
Sir, The Bullock Report demon-Sir, The Bullock Report demonstrates how basic assumptions built into a Committee's terms of reference can prejudice as findings and recommendations. It is my view that the majority proposals, if implemented, could jeopardize the solid progress many companies have already made towards employee participation in ways best suited to their particular activities and organizational structures. izational structures.

In National Westminster we have s wide range of formal and informal consultative procedures at all levels, including discussion with represen-ratives of the two staff bodies, which enable staff to take an informed view of, and to influence, policy decisions. We are auxious to extend and develop these procedures and to encourage an even greater degree of staff participation. But whether such participation should include board representation and if so, whether it should be in some specified form are debatable questions. fied form, are debatable questions. A satisfactory balance between the interests of all the stakeholders in our business is not likely to be achieved under legislative pressure. Further consultation and dis-cussion on this subject is, therefore, essential before any thought is given

to the introduction of legislation and we welcome the Government's assurances to this effect. Yours faithfully, JOHN PRIDEAUX, Chairman, National Westminster Bank Limited, 41 Lothbury, EC2.

February 4.

From Mr Stan Newens, MP for Harlow (Labour-Co-operative) Sir, In all the furore raised by the publication of the Bullock Report, there have been few references to Co-operative experience. In the Co-operative Movement, however, employees have served as directors of large enterprises—particularly in the retail trade—for decades.

They are not, of course, elected as employees, but as members. Some societies, furthermore, limit the number of places, or—in a tiny proportion of cases—refuse to allow places on their boards to be occupied by employees: Even so, despite the sneers of Mr Askew (February 1) they have amply proved their worth as directors.

Far from expreising any undue pressure on behalf of their fellow workers, employee directors are more liable to be criticized for inclining the other way; yet their presence on boards inevitably shapes policies in such a manner as to prevent fundamental employee interests being disregarded, eg, the right to organize in trade unions.

With worker directors, co-operative societies have not only managed to develop from their origins in the Victorian or Edwardian periods but, in the last few years, to survive the

most intense competition of the

### Czech human rights

From Mr Tom Stoppard, and others Sir, Connoisseurs of totalitarian Charter 77—the Czech document which calls attention to the absence in that country of various human rights beginning with the right of free expression—has been denied expression in the Czech newspapers on the grounds that it is a wicked slander.

The subsequent news from Prague that the main signatories of the Charter are "in the pay of Western reactionary circles" comes less like a bolt from the blue than the thud of the second shoe dropping on to the floor above.

So far, so familiar. However, the vaclay Havel, the Czech playwright who is one of the three nominated spokesmen for the Charter, is an ominous sign of hardline influence in a regime where President Husak counts as a "moderate". And yet it may be hoped that the

And yet it may be hoped that the regime has overreached itself. Your leading article (January 21) made the point that the authors of Charter 77 had been scrupulous about keeping well within the Czech law. Your readers may not know that on the same day the Morning Star also emphasized that not one line of the manifesto could be construed as anti-state or anti-

A similar response from Western Communists in general no doubt influenced Prague's next move, which was to offer exit visas (to Wilch was to oner exit visas (to Vienna) to eight dissidents includ-ing two of the arrested men. Mr Havel and the journalist Jiri Lederer. The offer has been rejected, and the Austrians have rightly refused to accept anyone forced to leave against his wishes. The Czech Government now has

Teaching Community law From Professor L. Neville Brown

Sir, Your legal correspondent pre-sents today (February 2) a cogent case for the more intensive teaching of Community law in British law schools. Many institutions have been, as he complains, too slow to recognize the importance of the entirely new approach and extra dimension which membership of the European Communities entails for the study of law. This faculty, how-erer, introduced in October, 1972, a compulsory course in Community law into the second year of the LL R degree, taking as our model in this respect what was done by the far-sighted Dutch in the University of Amsterdam. For five years now we in Birmingham have taken to heart Lord Denning's injunction that "we must get down to it" and master "the European way". And, in general, our students appear to enjoy getting to grips with the Com-munity aspects of legal study. Yours faithfully, L. NEVILLE BROWN.

Faculty of Law, Chancellor's Court, University of Birmingham. February 2

Rockall From Vice-Admiral Sir Patrick

Bayly Sir, In an article on February 4 you mention that Rockall was claimed for the crown in 1955, the landing being made by helicopter from an HM Ship (HMS Vidal, I think). In the summer of 1959 I

## multiples which have emerged in the most far reaching revolution in the sphere of distribution for more than a century. Compared with the independents, they have not done

so badly.

Yet they have been, and remain, an example of industrial democracy which is not paralleled in any other sector of the economy.

The experience of the co-operatives proves that workers are capable of serving on boards and

capable of serving on boards and making a vast contribution to the success of their enterprises. If the particular form of industrial democracy which exists in the Co-operative Movement is viable, many of the arguments against the models proposed by Bullock for other sectors of the economy just do not stand up.

Yours, etc. STAN NEWENS, House of Commons.

From Mr Steven Turnbull
Six, I find Mr Heffer's logic in his
exticle of January 31 somewhat
difficult to follow and would appreciate clarification on the following

points:

1. In common with his Tribunite colleagues, Mr Heffer indulges in, and thus contributes to the perpetuation of, the "them and us" mythology which is so fundamental to Marxism. I fall to see how the investigation of the perpetuation of the see how the investigation of the perpetuation of the perpe imposition of worker directors, in accordance with the undiluted pro-posals of the Bullock Report, on a generally reluctant industry can do anything to remedy such a division : it would probably, as I suspect he and his colleagues would wish, only

serve to aggravate it.

2. Mr Heffer seems to swell with pride in contemplating the Labour Party's track record in industrial and employment legislation in general and the Employment Pronection Act in particular. I would be interested to know how he arrived at the conclusion that such legislation had given workers greater rights and protection than

"greater rights and protection than ever before", when the current unemployment figures are, I believe, in excess of 14 million.

3. The juxtaposition of "industrial democracy" and "a series of compulsory planning agreements" confuses me. Mr Heffer seems anxious to put "workers" in a position of great authority, and having done so seeks to remove position or great authority, and having done so seeks to remove from them the principal areas of responsibility of a board of directors. Surely this has little, if anything, to do with industrial democracy, and is rather an interim stage in the gradual move towards state ownership of all major industries.

Is Mr Heffer confusing industrial democracy with state ownership The two are surely not the same thing.

Yours faithfully, STEVEN TURNEULL 7 Hazlebury Road, SW6.

### to choose between two opposite embarrassments; to portue logic of repression, or to clamb down. If the latter course does not strike Mr Husak as being the just

one, we can at least try to ensure that it strikes him as the practical one. We can do this by relentless pressure between now and the Bel-grade meeting due to be held this summer to review the Helsinki Agreement, to which Czecho-slovakia was a signetory and whose very principles are the basis of

In calling for the release of those excessed, we are specially concessed for Vaclay Havel, who was clearly the main target. His charge carries a maximum of ten years' imprisonment; chis after a history of harassment and persecution.

Mr Havel's personal integrity, his courageous dedication to the upholding of human rights, and his uproteing of numer rights, and his art are known and admired by his many friends in the British theatre. The undersigned include fellow playwrights as well as some of the actors who have had the privilege of performing Mr Havel's plays in Britain, and I also have the homour and digner was so the content of the form to address you as one of the four British members (the others being Graham Greene, Iris Murdoch and Stephen Spender) of the Inter-national Committee for the Support of the Principles of Charter 77. We want to assure Mr Havel and his colleagues of our solidarity in their

SUPPORT Yours sincerely,
TOM STOPPARD
JOHN BOWEN
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BRENTON
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FRANK MARCUS
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HURRAY MELVIN HATTIE JACQUES
FASTERIA FOR THE MILLS
MURRAY MELVIN HATTIE JACQUES Femleigh, Wood Lane, Iver Heath, Buckinghamshire:

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was in command of HMS Caven-dish steaming south from Iceland. Our course lay close past Rockall and, most unusually, the sea was flat calm. I therefore took the opportunity to send a boat with a landing party under Lt.-Commander C. P. R. Collis to scale the rock which they did via a ledge on the southeast corner. They erected a pole and heisted the Union Flag and also laid some cement in which they exceeded the view.

they recorded the visit. No mark or remains of the earlier visit were found. Landing from the sex on this isolated pimple must be an extremely rare if not unique event. Yours, etc. PATRICK U. BAYLY, Dunning House, Liphook,

## Charles the Bold

Easter Moncreiffe.

Perthshire.

February 4.

From Sir Iain Moncreifie of that IIk Sir, Professor Mennie (letters, January 29) has reason for seeing a striking resemblance between Prince Charles and Charles the Bold: for

he is his direct descendant. Both Queen Victoria and Prince Albert descended by way of the Houses of Wettin, Wittelsbach, Cleves and Hapsburg, from the Empress Mary, only daughter and heiress of Charles the Bold. Yours truly, LAIN MONCREIFFE OF THAT ILK.

### Canterbury and Rome

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From the Reverend Canon John H. Heidt Sir, The Chancellor of Chichester's letter on January 31 represents that authentic comprehensiveness which has characterized Anglicanism at its best. As an American priest it puzzles me that his view should not prevail throughout the Church of England. Instead, the English Church seems dominated by a nationalistic mentality fighting old controversies of little interest to the rest of Christendom—or even to the Anglican Communion as a whole Whether the issue is liturgical reform, the appointment of bishops, or the Venice Agreement, controversialists seldom look beyond Dean's Yard, Whitehall, or Cornwall.

If members of the Church of England are to discuss reunion intelligently or take any sort of lead in the renewal of Christendom, they will have to think of themselves as members of the whole Anglican Communion first of all; a Communion of people who, for the most part, are neither English nor established, nor interested in past controversies, but who are united by a faith that is fully Catholic and, therefore, truly Evangelical; a Communion which for all its failings is no longer typified by a petty provincialism nor imprisoned by the current English failure of nerve.

But the Anglican Communion will disintegrate into a federation of self-sufficient and autonomous national churches if it can no longer look to the Church of England for initiative and leadership. Canterbury is its natural centre of unity and that unity will disappear if the centre is spiritually dead. And surely this will happen if the Church of England does not soon take to itself the warning of the 1963 Anglican Congress: "The Church that lives to itself, will die by itself." Yours faithfully, JOHN H. HEIDT, 187 Woodstock Road,

From the Bishop of Truro and the Reverend A. Bernard Franklin Sir, In view of the conclusions which have been drawn from Mr Paul Tyler's letter of January 22 about the situation in Cornwall, we would wish to say that we are encouraged by the continuing discussions between representatives of the Churches both nationally and internationally by the Agreed State-ments already produced, and by a clearer definition of areas in which at present our Churches hold

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conflicting views. As the present and past Chairman of the Cornwall Council of Churches we are seeking, with representatives of other Churches and religious bodies within the County, for a better understanding between the Churches and for a closer coopera-

rion locally wherever that is pos-sible under the existing rules of the Churches.

The experience of the past decade

in ecumenical relations has, how-ever, surely made it clear that conever, surely made it clear that continuing progress towards Christian unity calls not only for a loving acceptance of one another as members of the Body of Christ but also for a realistic awareness of the doctrinal and legal barriers that have yet to be removed.

Yours faithfully.

†GRAHAM TRURON: Chairman. Cornwall Council of Churches, A BERNARD FRANKLIN, Chairman, Methodist District of Cornwall and past Chairman, Cornwall Council of Churches, Lis Escop, Truro. February 3.

From Canon Alan Wilkinson Sir, I am surprised that no one has written to you to point out the. difficulties raised by paragraphs 18 and 19 of the Agreed Statement on Authority. Paragraph 18 rightly asserts that the bishop has an every-day responsibility for promoting truth, but that in this he is not protected from error. Yet in paragraph 19 we read:

When the Church meets in ecumenical council its decisions on fundamental matters of faith exclude what is erroneous.

Through the Holy Spirit the Church commits itself to these judgments, recognizing that, being faithful to Scripture and consistent with Tradition, they are by the same Spirit protected from

Now there are many reasons why Now there are many reasons why it is desirable, and will become possible, for Anglicans to accept the type of reformed Papacy envisaged (say) by the Roman Catholic theologian Hans Küng. But I believe that this passage from paragraph 19 misconceives the method by which, in actual practice truth is which, in actual practice, truth is discovered. In the Bible, church history and human experience slike, truth has to be wrestled for, and it emerges from conflict, through a continuous process of dialectical

interaction. All types of infallibility, on the other hand, attempt to remove and isolate "truths" from this process. In being thus isolated they petrify. Once petrified they often can only be brought back into the interacting process by violence. All types of infallibility therefore almost inevitably produce schism because they try to freeze the very process by which the Holy Spirit seems to guide us into truth.

Yours sincerely, ALAN WILKINSON, 9 Fairview Avenue, Alsager, Stoke-on-Trent February 1.

### Future of Mentmore From Mr Denis Mahon

Sir, The latest pronouncement extracted from the Government on the subject of Mentmore Towers and its collections appeared in the Commons Bansard available vesterday (February 5). In a written answer given on February 4 (col 486) the Chief Secretary to the Treasury stated: "Mentmore Treasury stated: Menumore ... Towers has not been offered in satisfaction of death duties. If sufficient funds were to be offered from private sources towards the cost of acquiring and running the property the Secretary of State for the Environment would certainly consider any renewed offer from Lord Rosebery. An offer of a number of individual items from the collection at Mentmore in satisfaction of death duties is now being considered." As experienced inter-preters of official globbledegook will perceive, this tells us just a line more than before, but nothing like enough genuinely to put in train

the finding of a solution in particular, the withdrawal of one putative fairy godfather appears to have thrown the original project right back into the melting pot. And consequently the "private sources" to which the Government continues to look, with exquisite irony, to bail it out when confronted by certain admittedly undesirable by-products of its fiscal machinery cannot yet be given any precise idea of just what the salvage proposition might amount to in hard cash. Two and a half years have now elapsed during which a solution

ought to have been found behind the scenes, but what has finally come to light is a monumental muddle. The immediate problem is the deadline for the sale by auction of the works of art by the end of next May, when a three-year Inland Revenue rule allowing tax-ing on probate valuations ceases to have effect. The prompt announce-ment of a decision to extend this period by one year (an action which would be possible if the rule is in fact administrative rather than statutory) would give sufficient time for the problem to be faced with the seriousness which it deserves but has not yet received. What is at stake is the credibility of the Government's avowals in this field, since the precipitate débâcle which is threatened could never be forgotten or forgiven, with disastrous long-term consequences. However, should the necessary breathing-space be given, the Government will have an opportunity fully to acknowledge its responsi-bilities, and itself to provide the practical initiatives which these

Finally, Messrs Sotheby are in the

circumstances entitled to a rapid decision on this point; apart from problems of printing catalogues. they have been reported as having specially chartered jets to bring prospective buyers from the United Yours faithfully, DENIS MAHON,

33 Cadogan Square, SW1. February 6.

From the Secretary of the Victorian Society Sir, John Harris's letter (February 4) raises problems of both principle and taste. I should like to say that of course my Society is extremely concerned about the future of Mentmore Towers and its collection, a High Victorian creation of European importance if ever there was one. If the Department of the Environment were prepared to release the figures on upkeep,

which have so far prevented the acceptance of Mentmure, we would sponsor a national appeal. With regard to its listing—in the third category known to the British system, Grade II—this is largely a question of public taste. As a Society we are faced with the problem of underlisted or even unlisted Victorian buildings of importance continually, but this is largely because the system of protecting mhabited buildings is only 30 years old. The original lists were drawn up at a time when Victorian architecture was less understood, by men trained in the Royal Commission on Historic Monuments criteria where age was all-important. Of course, we are continually pressing for the revision and extension of the historic buildings lists.

There is encouraging evidence that public opinion is becoming increasingly concerned at the destruction of Victorian buildings—this is indeed the only form of pressure that really counts in a democratic society where decisions are taken by politicians! Yours faithfully, HERMIONE HOBHOUSE

Secretary, The Victorian Society, 1 Priory Gardens, Bedford Park, W4. February 4. From Mr W. F. B. Nott Sir, The point that depresses me about Mentmore is that 100 years

ago one man could build, furnish, and up to now maintain it, whereas today the whole nation cannot afford even the latter. This is not registribution of wealth but its dissipation. I am, Sir, your obedient servant, W. F. B. NOTT,

23 West Place, SW19. February 3.

### Raising a curtain From Mr Roger Braban

From Mr Koger Braban

Sir, At the National Theatre on

Tuesday night a capacity audience
was abruptly informed during the
interval of No Man's Land that the mechanical curtain raising device had jammed and we should have to leave. There was little likelihood of ever seeing the rest of the play, said a spokesman for the manage ment, as the show was booked out for the rest of the run. Is there no provision for raising

a custain by hand in a brand new theatre which cost us £16m? I am, Sir, Yours faithfully, ROGER BRABAN. Reform Club, Pall Mall, SW1.

Beatification of Mozart From Mr David Bunkell

From Mr David Bunkell
Sir, While I entirely agree with
Bernard Levin's proposal to beatify
Mozart, I do however feel that
neither St Wolfgang nor St
Amadeus is appropriate. According
to the baptismal register Mozart was
christened Joannes Chrysostomus Wolfgangus Theophilus; surely the Church would require the use of one of these names.

Obviously great care must be taken in the naming of new saints—does Mr Levin see himself as a St Bernard? Yours faithfully. DAVID BUNKELL, The Music Centre. University of East Anglia, Norwich.

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## SOCIAL NEWS

The Prince of Wales has been elected to the honorary fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons of England.

The Earl of Harewood is 54 today. A service of thanksgiving for the life of Paul Nordoff will be held at the Church of the Holy Sepulcire, Holborn Viaduct, on February 21, at 12.30 pm.

### Forthcoming marriages

Mr P. S. Alexander and Mrs J. Cooper-Hummelen A marriage has been arranged and

A marriage has been arranged and with take place in Hongkong on February 16, between Patrick Smart, eider son of Sir Lindsay and Lady Alexander, of Baskervyle, Heswall, Merseyside, and Joke, daughter of De Heer and Mevroaw Hummelen, of Putten, Hofland.

### Mr B. L. H. Powell and Miss E. A. Rous

and Miss R. A. Rous

The engagement is announced between Bruce Lewis Hamilton, elder son of Mr and Mrs Patrick Powell, of Bentley, Hampstire, and Elizabeth Anne, daughter of Major the Hon Peter Rous, of Merstham, Surrey, and the late Mrs Elizabeth Rous.

Mr M. W. Lenington and Mrs F. E. Budgett
The marriage has been arranged and will siturity take place between Maurice, only son of the late Mr and Mrs W. J. Lenington, and Fjoua Budgett, of Grange Cottage, Chislehurst, Kent, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Biggart.

### Marriage

celebrants were the Master of St. Benet's Hall, the Warden of Grey-friars, Dr E. J. Yarnold and Father Crispian Hollis, chaplain to the university's Roman Catholics. Mgr A. N. Gilbey was in the sanctuary. An address was given by Lord Hallsham of St Marylebone and the Earl of Longford read the lesson. The bidding prayers were read by Mr John de Gaynesford (representing British Association of the Sovereign Military Order The marriage took place on Saturday, February 5, at the Church of the Holy Family, Curraghagalla, co Cork, between Mr Frederick Stockwell and Mrs Evie Magnier (nee Hallinan).

### Today's engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh, as senior fellow, of Lumburgh, as semon fellow, attends executive com-mittee meeting of the Council of Engineering Institutions' Fellow-ship of Engineering, 2 Little Smith Street, Westminster, 7.30. The Duchess of Gloucester attends fashion show in aid of London Festival Ballet Building Fund,

Goldsmith's Hall, 7.20.
The Duchess of Kent, as patron, visits Yehudi Menuhin School, Stoke D'Abernon, Surrey, 4.15.
Exhibition: Pompeii AD79, Royal Academy, Piccadilly, 3-8.

### Service dinners

Cambridge University Officers Training Corps General Sir Edwin Bramall, Com-General Sir Edwin brainan, commander in Chief, UK Land Forces, was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of Cambridge University Officers' Training Corps held on Saturday at St John's College, Cambridge, by permission of the Master and fellows. The greats included

guests included:
Lieutenant-General Sir Hugh Beach.
the Mistress of Giron College, the
Masters of Downing College, Emmandel
College, Magdalene College, Emmandel
John's Coflege, Mr R. R. James, MP.
Major-Generala D. J. St. M. Tabor.
T. M. Creasoy, J. H. Fosier, P. C.
Shapland, and M. E. Tickell. The
Commanding Officer, LieutenantColonel C. J. G. Delanzin, presided.

Scotland and Northern Ireland

The first annual reserve dinner, Scotland and Northern Ireland Command, was held in HMS Claverhouse on Saturday. The principal guests were Vice Admiral Sir Anthony Troup. Commodore A. L. C. Wilkinson, RNR, and Captain C. P. O. Burne, RN. Commander J. Stuart, RNR, was in the chair.

### Birthdays today

Mr Arthur Bottomley, MP, 70; Miss Dora Bryan, 53; Professor H. C. Darby, 68; Lord Rea, 77; Sir Raymond Streat, 80; Sir Brian Windeyer, 73.

### £50,000 winner

The weekly £50,000 Premium Savings Bond Prize, announced on Saturday, was won by number 10 PZ 134865. The winner lives in the London borough of Green-

The 25 £1,000 winners are:

He meant that while farmers are

given a price review every year, manufacturing industry can apply to the commission for leave to

make increases every three months. He, like others at the meeting, appeared to think that the difference was as simple as

They cannot have realized that

scautory removeness from the Price Commission, but resent it as well, Remoteness from the main-stream of industrial politics and

economics was not a dominant freme at the meeting.

Delegates expressed a unanimous esire to preserve the status quo. seemed close to the insularity

which their leaders condemned in

the European referendum cam-paign of 1975, when they spoke about future generations.

Last month they insisted that existing marketing boards for farm produce must be preserved against EEC opposition. They reduced the vision of an enlarged Community

Appointments in the

ROYAL NAVY
REAR-ADMIRAL: D. G. Satow, Dep
Dir General Shipe in control and to be
GEN NAVAL Engr Offer and Sen NAVAL
Resp Bath, Feb 7.
CAPTAINS: A. D. Barlow, chairman
NAVAL Nuclear Techl Safety Panel, July
22: D. C. Blackor, MOD as Dir of Pub
fiel (Navy), May 20; A. C. Leng,
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Haines, Excellent's Exec Offe, March

Staff of CRNSW. June 30: T. J. Smy. Lowestoff in Cmd. July 19: P. W. Heines, Excellent as Exec Offr. March 22: M. H. G. Layard. Ark Royal as Cdr (Air), Oct 14: A. C. G. Wolstanheime. DGW(N). DWCa., June 27: D. G. Dorrian. Raichh as Cdr Education and Trag Suppert, May 28: G. Oxier. MIDD with Concert. Frs. 15: M. A. G. Shunson, MOD(N) with DN Plans/KPS. July 29: N. Waldemen-Brown. Kent es WEO. July 22: I. H. Anderson-Nothing. Repture 28 Sedn Eas Offr. July 22: R. G. Bridgoman. Deflance as Sedn Eas Offr. July 22: R. G. Bridgoman. Deflance as Sedn Eas Offr. July 29: P. S. Hickenach. Rid List, March 18: (Granted Hon renk 8f Capt).

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## Church of England reviews its record on human rights Religious Affairs

General Synod next week.

short in that area.

Requiem Mass

Father M. C. D'Arcy, SJ

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Requiem Mass for Father Martin
C. D'Arcy, SJ, was celebrated at
the Catholic Chaplaincy of Oxford
University on Saturday. The
Master of Campion Hall was the
principal celebrant and the concelebrants were the Master of St.

of the Sovereign Military. Order of Malta). Among others present

The Earl of Oxford and Asquith.

Church news

Church in Wales

The Roy M. C. Donaldson, Vicer of Rusbon, diocuse of Si Asaph, to be Vicar of Abaryele same diocese.

The Rev G. Swindler, Vicar of Surington and Pool Quay, diocese of St Asaph, to be Rural Dean of Pool, same diocese.

Church of Scotland

The Rev A. M. Morrice, Galachiele
St. John's presbytery of Melrose and
Peebles, to Edinburgh. Holy Tranky,
presbytery of Edinburgh.

The Rev A. F. McCormack, Bridge of
Weir St Machar's Ranktriy, presbytery
of Paisier, to Perth St Andrew's, presbytery of Perth.

The Rev I. M. Forbes, Motherweil
South Osiziel, presbytery of Rankmon,
to Kennay, presbytery of Gordon.

The Rev I. D. Allsop, Clasgow
Knightswood St Margaret, presbytery of
Glasgow, to Aberdeen Beechgrove, presbytery of Aberdeen.

Appointments

It has been apparent for some years that the Church of England was not greatly interested in human rights as such, with Correspondent Historians explaining the de-cline in influence of the Church or england over the past quar-ter of a century are not likely to conclude that it was due primarily to a fall in numbers, either of weekly church attend-ance or of men in the minister. ance or of men in the ministry. Africa, and the closed shop in Nor are they likely to attribute it to the sinfulness of a godless record, and a highly selective

society.

A hint of 2 more likely
explanation is contained in a report published last week and report published last week and church organizations is much better: the Methodist Church, the British Council of Churches, and the Roman Catholic Church have taken It is on human rights, a subhuman rights on board, under-stood what they were talking about, and when occasion ject that does not at first sight seem a fertile one for beginning a diagnosis of ecclesiastical dry demanded preached a prophetic

rot. But it does contain an implicit recognition that the established church has fallen message. The latest Anglican report points out that the advantage points our mat the advantage of the concept of human rights is that it acknowledges an objective quality of the human person, something that exists sui generis, whose validity does It concludes with recom-mendations, promising although mendanons, promising atmonghing startling, which, if implemented, could enable the church "to play an effective part in human rights", in the view of the report's authors, the not depend on whether it is con-

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:

Mr Dennis Packham, technical director, Tyne Tees Television, to be seconded from the company as the first Trident Television Senior Fellow in Television and Communication Engineering at Leeds Polytechnic.

Prospective candidates

Mr Dale Campbell-Savours, aged 33, a clockmaker from Ramsbottom, Lancashire, to be prospective Labour candidate for Workington. In the November by-election, caused by the elevation of Lord Peart, Mr R. Page, Conservative, had a majority of 1,055 in a three-converged corners.

Mr Timothy Miller, a marketing

consultant, to be prospective Con-servative candidate for Hackney, North, and Stoke Newington. In the last general election Mr D. Weinzman, Labour, had a majority of 10,553 in a six-cornered contest.

A list of some of the dances and

A list of some of the dances and cocktail parties arranged to take place during 1977 will be published on March 7. It will be revised and repeated on May 2 and again on July 4. The charge for inclusion in one list will be 56, in two lists £7 and in three lists £8. Inquiries should be made to Court and Social Advertising, The Times. PO Roy 7. New Print.

The Times, PO Box 7, New Printing House Square, Gray's Inn Road, London WCIX 8EZ (tele-phone 01-837 1234, ext 7363).

Westminster Abbey

Choir School

Dances and cocktail

cornered contest.

parties, 1977

ceded.

That touches on a dichotomy British society that are obvious in both Christian and secular to foreign visitors, such as thinking about social morality, social class distinctions. In a between what might be called the compassion-charity approach to human need and

the rights-justice approach.
The Church of England, in keeping with the British liberal tradition, has concentrated on compassion-charity, where the emphasis is on the motive of the person or group in a position to alleviate distress.

Inevitably, it made charity a dirty word, for that attitude may reduce hardship but does nothing for human dignity. It relieves the liberal conscience of the provider ("the do-gooder"), No matter how many words,

like "duty", were spun around the process of giving charity, it remained an optional choice one to be praised and admired by society, and therefore by implication an essentially voluntary activity.

It may explain why the established church, along with the apolitical conservative middle class which is its milieu, is blind to certain features of

"compassion-charity" sweep of society on some sort of moral radar scanner, they just do not

show up.

The rights-justice wavelength shows a different picture. All kinds of rights are aspects of the right to be human. In such a sense the fundamental right is the right to life, meaning not bare existence but dignity and freedom to realize the infinite potential of each person.

Charity is something given, a right is something claimed. The Church of England has not really taken to heart the idea of social justice, and has nothing to compare with the tradition of papal social teaching, or the witness of the Noncomformist churches.

That may be as much for ps chological as for theological reasons. Once social justice is made a priority, it leads to political debate and controversy; and it is of the very spirit of Anglicanism to stand aside from such dangerous

Silk carpet fetches record

price at New York auction

On Friday there were two sessions devoted to carpets, one to modern oriental rugs (less than

100 years old) and one to antique

pieces. The first sale was a resounding success, the latter was

sticky. It has been shown on other occasions that Middle

Eastern buyers are not interested

in worn antique carpets. They like them to look brand new. The

two sessions totalied £539,269 with 48 of 148 lots unsold.

A fine Meshed carpet, 13ft by 10ft, made 544,000 (estimate

mineteenth-century European fur-mishings totalled £183,626, with only 12 lots unsold. A pair of Belle Epoque ormolu urns made \$22,000 (estimate \$3,000 to \$5,000)

or £12,865 to an Iranian buyer.

Wilnesses: The British Railways Board. (4.60 pm. 8.1 wednesday: Expenditure: Trade and Industry Subcommittee. Subject: The fishing industry. Wilnesses: Local flahermen, England and Wales. (10.15 flahermen, Subject: Horserace Totalistor Board. (10.15 flahermen, Subject: Horserace Totalistor Board. (10.15 flahermen, England England (10.15 flahermen, Social Services and Employment Subcommalities. Subject: The Job Ceration Programme. Wilnesses: Dept of Employment; Manpower Services Commission. (4.30 pm. 15.)

House of Lords
Fomoriow at 2.30: Marriage (Scotland)
Bill, report stage. Divorce Reform
(Northern Ireland) Bill, and Detonators
Bill, secend reading. Motions on Electricity and Gas Undersakings (Financial Provisions) (Northern Ireland)
Order. Charities (Horstial and Educaticity and Gas Undersakings (Financial Provisions) (Northern Ireland)
Order. Charities (Horstial and Educaticity and Educa
Thursday at 3.00: Marriage (Scotland)
Bull, third reading, Criminal Law Bill
committee stage. Molions on Road
Vehicles (Registration and Licensing)
(Amendment, Registrations,
Select Continuities

Select Committees

House of Lords

By Geraldine Norman

Sale Room Correspondent

A record auction price for a car-

pet was established at Sotheby Parke Bernet in New York on

Parke Bernet in New York on Friday when a Herez silk carpet was bid to \$200,000 (estimate \$40,000 to \$60,000) or £116,959. The richly floral carpet measures 12ft 6in by 9ft and was bought by Emanuel of London. It is less than 100 years old.

The carpet was used for many years to cover the billiard table.

buyers are likely to pay top prices. The last session of the sale was devoted to flashy, trineteenth-

century European forniture and

House of Commons
Monday, January 51; Mr Speaker's
railing on Union of Post Office Worters
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EEC Council of Ministers meetings,
international Finance. Trade and Aid
Bill read second time, Lebaites on
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about ancient monuments on Darimoor, House addourned 11.55 pm.
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RSPCC. House adjourned 6,3 am (Wednosday). Wednesday. February 2: Statement on Falkland Islands. Social Security (Amendment) Bill read first time. Scotland and Welss Bill. committee stage adjourned. Adjournment debate about coal mining in Ayrahire. House adjourned 11.38 pm.
Thursday, February 3: British Rallways

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works of art.

The General Synod. in fact, would be rather embarrassed to be confromed by practical questions of social justice. It is notable that a thorough de-bate on race relations in Britain has been kept off the agenda for one reason or another for

several years.

The composition of the synod is also a handicap. The overrepresentation of shop stewards or black community leaders is not one of the main weaknesses of the House of Laity, but the predominance of retired or self-employed professional men from the A-B social categories

Hence the call for justice in the chambers and corridors of the Church of England is likely to refer to clergy national insurance, or relief from VAT. The report to the synod offers the chance for a fresh start, but only if the church is prepared to descend from the elevated beights of semantic argument and share some of the passion that necessarily accompames the drive for justice and the pain of being treated as less than fully human.

Engineering at McGill University and of Mary L. Petrie, who herself was one of the earliest. women students of University College, London, and an author of numerous books, mainly on lished a valuable stati biblical subjects. Miss Carus account of England's e Wilson was educated at St trade between 1275 and Paul's Girls' School and at West As editor of the three vo field College, in whose administration her mother took an she rendered great servi active interest. After graduate the Economic History Soci ing in 1921, she spent some years as a school teacher, and then returned to Westfield where she obtained her MA with distinction in 1926. In 1930-31 she was part-time lecturer at the college and Lever-hume Research Fellow, 1936-38. Throughout these years Miss Carus-Wilson continued as a

seminar at the university led by Eileen Power, during which time she laid the basis of her command of the medieval second world war she served as a temporary civil servant in the Ministry of Food until 1945. In that year she was appointed to a lectureship at the London School of Economics and had the title of reader became professor in 1953, con-tinuing until her retirement in versity teaching relatively late in life but swiftly won scholarly recognition. .

## OBITUARY

### PROFESSOR ELEANORA CARUS-WILSON

### Medieval economic historian

Carus-Wilson, FBA, Emeritus for herself an internat Professor of Economic History in the University of London, died on February 1 at the age of 79.

Born in Montreal in 1897, she was the daughter of C. A. Carus-Wilson, Professor of Civil

member of a distinguished

Her major academic fields lay body in 1967 and her el in the woollen industry and the overseas trade of medieval College Association in 19

Professor Eleanora Mary England, where she establ reputation. In this sense. may be said to have inhe the mantle of Eileen Power also shared the same sche integrity and gift of clear concise exposition. For reasons she excelled as a

turer and teacher. Some of her many conlected together in her Mee Merchant Venturers and, Miss Olive Coleman, she As editor of the three vo of Essays in Economic H

Towards the end of her. university career, Proent of many academic hor She was elected associate ber of the Royal Acader Belgium in 1961; Fellow British Academy in 1963; 1 Lecturer in the Universi-Oxford, 1964-65; Preside the Economic History S in 1966-69; and Fellow t London School of Econom

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These achievements combined with a wide rar interests. She was for years a member of the Choir, an active mount until late in life, and a supporter of medieval ology of whose society she President from 1966 to Her Life-long attachmen Westfield College, of white consideration was a form. grandfather was a foun Trustee, was recognized to election as a governor in and her continuing and va services by her appointme vice-chairman of the gove

schooldays, be was never

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rewarding years were thos he spent at Bagnor I where he and his Elizabeth, transformed house and garden with

### MR BILLY WALLACE

Mr Billy Wallace, for many years a popular figure in Lon-don's social life and one of a group of lively young people who were often to be seen in the company of Princess Margaret, died on February 4. He was 49.

Educated at Eton and University College, Oxford, he had held a commission in the Inns of Court Regiment (TA). He was the fifth and youngest son of a well-known Conserva-tive MP, Captain Euan Wallace, PC, MC, who had been Financial

Secretary to the Treasury and Ministry of Transport. Billy Wallace was the third son of Captain Wallace's second marriage to Barbara, eldest daughter of Sir Edwin Lutyens, OM, the distinguished architect. He married, in 1965, the Hon Edizabeth Anne Hoyer Millar, elder daughter of Lord Inchyra, formerly Sir Frederick Hoyer worked but exact phras Millar, sometime Permanent was a life-enliancer. La Under Secretary of State, a sharper edge when i Foreign Office.

years to cover the billiard table at the home of the late Emily 10ft, made 544,000 (estimate Stiefel in West Virginia. Later \$23,000) or £25,731. There was a Billy Wellace, the last sur-vivor of the five sons of Evan tain his friends to the er

Mrs Ruth Adam, the author, journalist and broadcaster, died on February 3. Born in Nortingham in 1907 she had a prolific career first as a teacher, then as a journalist and author of both process and author of both process. both novels and books on various aspects of social history.

1937 was War on Saturday
Week, a study of the growing
up of a clergyman's children.
It was followed by others including There Needs No Ghost (1939); Murder in the Home Guard (1942) and Fetch Her

Bill. British Transport Docks Bill. and London Hydraidic Power Bill read second time. Whooping-cough (Vaccination Bill read first time. Debate on motion for the adjournment on school-children from Rhodesia: motion negatived. Debate on motion for the adjournment on uncopployment in the North West: motion rejected by 289 voies to 23-1. Motion to annul Motor Vehicle (Tesis) Regulations; motion withdrawn. Adjournment debate about timemployment benefit scheme at the Isle of Grain power station. House adjourned 11-58 pm.
Friday. February 4: Writ Issued for City of Westminster by-election. Debate on motion for second reading of Employse Investment Bill, adjourned. Reperior of the City of Westminster by-election. Debate on motion for second reading of Employse Investment Bill, adjourned. Reading and passed remaining stages. Adjournment debate about profit margins on sports equipment. House adjourned 4.41 pm. Away (1954).
She elso wrote the Home Office Government booklet, Child Care and Careers in Child Child Care and Careers in Child Care (1960) and They Built a Nation, a child's history of the USA. Her biographies included What Shaw Really Said and she was co-author with Kitty Muggeridge of Beatrice Webb which appeared in 1967. A Woman's Place 1910-1975, a history of the changing ethos in which women have lived, was published last year. Mrs Adem was a regular contributor to a number of national newspapers and journals. House of Lords
Tuesday, February 1: Rent (Agriculture) Amendment Bill passed remaining stages, Criminal Law Bill, committee stage; adjourned, Motions on Lotteries Regulations agreed to, House adjourned 8.28 pm.
Wednesday, February 2: Debete on the problems of retirement. House adjourned 7.46 pm.
Thursday, February 5: Torts (Interference with Goods) Bill massed committee stage. Bill of Rights Bill read second time. House adjourned 6.24 pm. and fournals.

She matried, in 1932, Kenneth Adam, CBE, FRSA, a former Director of BBC Television.

### MIR SIDNEY SIMMONDS

Mr Sidney Simmonds, CBE, who was British Ambassador to on January 30 at the age of 76. Educated at High Pavement Secondary School, University College, Nottingham and King's College Cambridge, he entered the Levant Consular Service in 1922. Thereafter he served in Morocco, Romania, Moscow, where he was Commercial secretary in 1930-31, Hamburg, where he was Vice-Consul, Teheran as Commercial Secretary, 1933-37, and again in Moscow before the war.

He served in Athens from 1938 to 1941 and was Counsellor in Rome, 1944-47, and Consul-General at Copenhagen, 1948-52. He was Counsellor at Baghdad before proceeding to the Em-bassy at Haiti. He was appointed OBE in 1945 and CBE in 1957.

He married, first, in 1928, Stella Sue, daughter of Donald MacLean, of St Paul, Minnesota They had a son and a daughter. His second marriage was in 1951, to Magda Elisabeth Kinch, daughter of Civilingenior Niels
Rasmussen, of Copenhagen.

Mr Frank Frewin Pinnock,
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CMG, late overseas supplies commissioner, Ministry of Food, died on February 2 at the age of 74.

Mr John Lawson, CE, Under Secretary, Admiraty, from 1948 to 1956, died on Febru-ary 1 at the age of \$3. He was made a CB in 1955.

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OBE, a former editor of and of the Nursing Mirro founder of the British Cor-wealth Nurses War Me Fund, died at her home in Her first novel published in She was 74. She spent 38.

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CB, CMG, DSO, and she ma
her husband in 1915. He
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### Science report Palaeontology: Amphibian upsets dating

The Dean of Westminster has appointed Mr T. G. M. Keall, Headmaster of Eastbourne College Preparatory School, to be Headmaster of Westminster Abbey Choir School from September 1, 1977, on the retirement of Mr J. F. S. Tullo.

A discovery in south-west Queens-land seems likely to upset firmly entrenched opinion about the final disappearance of the earliest land animals. The nearly complete skeleton of a primitive amphibian has been found recently in iron-stone, which dates from a period manimals of the rest of the considerably later than the sup-like to the firm better than the sup-like to the firm better than the sup-like to the firm better the new skelet in was found by the executors. The sale of the carpet was the high point of a three-day sale of works of art of Islamic interest. The sale of the carpet was the high point of a three-day sale of works of art of Islamic interest. That term in the sale rooms means and news and the sale and the sale rooms means anything for which Middle Eastern by the sale devoted to mineteenth-century anything for which Middle Eastern by the sale devoted to mineteenth-century anything for which Middle Eastern by the sale devoted to mineteenth-century anything for which Middle Eastern by the sale devoted to mineteenth-century anything for which Middle Eastern by the sale devoted to mineteenth-century anything for which Middle Eastern by the sale devoted to mineteenth-century anything for which Middle Eastern by the sale devoted to mineteenth-century anything for which Middle Eastern by the sale devoted to mineteenth-century anything for which Middle Eastern by the sale devoted to mineteenth-century and the sup-plant an has been found recently in iron-stone, which dates from a period considerably later than the sup-posed extinction of those animals. stone, which dates from a period considerably later than the supposed extinction of those animals.

The fossil record has shown that the first amphibia, known as labyrinthodouts, were descendants of certain bony fish, and started to appear during the Deronian period, which began about 350 million years ago. At first they resembled fish, in spite of their short stubby limbs, and are considered to have lived mostly in water. Later labyrinthodouts evolved with stoater limbs and began to move onto the land, which they dominated during the succeeding Carboniferous period, from about 300 to Anne Warren of La Troba United

ferous period, from about 300 to 200 million years ago. During the heyday of the labyrinthodonts some species reached six or eight

One line of primitive amphibians

But the new find from Queensland comes from a layer containing other fossils that are known
to date from the Jurassic. As Dr
Anne Warren of La Trobe University points out in her report
of the discovery, the find brings
the last known occurrence of the
labyrinthodonts firmly into the
furassic. Jurassic.

Much painstaking work will be

On the basis of the shapes of the visible bones, Dr Warren has identified the skeleton as a mem-

ber of the family Brachyopidae, one of several already known to have survived until late in the Triassic. Now that the story has been extended into the Jurassic the site in Queensland is likely to be worked over throughly in to be worked over thoroughly in the hope that it will yield further clues about the evolution and other animals.

The Natura Three News Service

Sir Adrian Boult giving

Attenborough, who

conducted the Royal

Philharmonic Orchestra

during a concert to mark

the Queen's silver jubilee

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## NFU seeks parity with industry over prices

## rever was a poisoned cance grasped so firmly or so eagerly as at the annual meeting of the National Farmers' Union last month. A delegate actually said: "We should be given the same opportunity as everyone else to go to the Price Commission." Hugh Clayto

Listle was said in the main debates about the growing political isolation of farmers in Britain. Their appeal for inclusion under the eagls of the Price Commission was a good example of Clayton's First Law of Farming Propaganda. That says that farmers believe that they are hard done by for the same reasons as others think they are well off.

The Second Law says that there is a point beyond which increases in the intensity and frequency of atterances from the agricultural industry and frequency of interances from the agricultural inguess of others to believe them. There is an apparent insoutiance about some such utterances which is sad to witness in yiew of the prime importance of farming to the well-being and survival of this country. When Sir Henry Flumb, president of the NFU, commented

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aganda. Detailed and voluminous they may be, but they have not dispelled suspicion about farming. Food manufacturers, in a submission about the imminent fixing of farm prices for the coming year, said as much.

Since they are among the largest companies in Britain and among the largest companies of British farmers, their views deserve attention. "It is often argued", they said, "though with no supporting evidence, that lack of investment in the farming sector now will result in reduced efficiency in the

in the farming sector now will result in reduced efficiency in the United Kingdom at a later date."

The manufacturers, who are members of the Food Manufacturers' Federation, later quoted the farming lobby as saying: "Fallure to increase producer prices will lead to higher prices in the long term." They added: "The evidence for this is meagre.

University news

# Select Committees Today: Expenditure: General Subcommittee, Subject: Developments in the Civil Service since the Fulton Report, Winnesses: SOLACE. (4,15 pm. room 8,) Expenditure: Education, Arts and Rome Office Subcommitter. Subject: The attainments of the school leaver. Winnesses: National Massociation of Careers and Guidance Teachers; Institute of Careers Officers, (4,15 pm. 13,1)

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Kellogg Foundation.
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Golossas, electronic computer used in
World War II; Mr E. M'Ewen, vicechairman 'emaineering'. Joseph Lacas.
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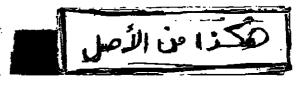
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THE ARTS

## Happy as a snowman: John Dexter in New York

of the day were crossing over to the skaring rink. Ali McGraw and Love Story seemed to be lurking some-where in the trees. But Dexter's

rengious orders for she time being. "When haven't I been? Relicovered Central Park, where the squirrels were foraging for their early morning food and gion of a very specific sort is the first aspirant John Carries of the day were crossing over your mind back to a number to the skating rink. Ali called Royal Hunt of the Sun.

McCraw and Love Story Then there's Lulu which we

"It's illegal to be as happy repertory this weekend. The able without him. We considered as I am at the moment. Percombination of Meyerbeer's dered Les Huguenots, but haps one of these days a cab will creep up behind me and Poulenc's eighteenth-representation of Meyerbeer's dered Les Huguenots, but there was no possibility of will creep up behind me and Poulenc's eighteenth-representation of performances. So we turned to Le Prophète and Poulenc's vinced that it has the best music of the there works." dered Les Huguenots, but the National Theatre.] He dered Les Huguenots, but there was no possibility of decided to pull all the scenery keeping the cast together for for the Brids on mobile trucks. more than a handful of performances. So we turned to Le Prophète and I'm now complète? vinced that it has the best music of the three works." Le Prophète uses a single set and some movable trucks. Meyerbeer on stage is rare; Meyerbeer on wheels is rarer

McGraw and Love Story

Then there's Lulu which we seemed to be lucking some where in the trees. But Dexter's happiness was not based on romantic dreams. It was simply satisfaction that two end a half vears of work at the Merropolitan Opera was bearing fruit.

Financial clouds are over the Mer, and contracts with the unions have to be renegotiated at the end of the season. But which house is unclouded?

His production of Meyer heer's Le Prophète has turned out to be the box office and critical succest of the year so the staging of Poulenc's The Richard Tucker died the opera into the produced by Dexter for Phètre and Le Misanthrope, Carmelites, which joins the died with him. It was muthink
McGraw and Love Story

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"The idea was prompted by the setting and period of the setti

the National Theatre.]

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"Anybow, with the wheels we've brought Prophete in well under budget. It was down in the books at 6500,000 and although the figures are ror yet all in it should cost about \$300,000. Of course it hasn't pleased everyone. I made one of my rate victor to a control. of my rare visits to a cocktail party the other night and a grand lady with a loud voice came up and said: 'Mr
Dexter, I trust you will not
make Camelites as austere as
Le Prophète. I replied
'Madame, the production of
Camelites will make Bert Brecht look like a Renaissance woluptuary.' I could have added that we are bringing it in for \$68,000, but she had sone by then."

"The Carmelites is even more of an experiment than Prophète. I want to see if I can scale an intimate, aristo-

cratic work to a home.

I want, too, to defend Ponce.
against his detractors. Why
can't a musical butterfly have
religious feelings, even though
he might have mixed the cult
of the Virgin Mary with the
Square, which I certainly am
not. So let me simply remark
then we can look into Cosi and
The Turn of the Screen.

John Dexter
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You have to go out, and out
means out of London, to find

How does John Dexter manage to stage two major new productions within a couple of weeks of each other and prepare a third, while also rehearsing cast changes in Equus on Broadway? "Planning. The operas were all in my head last summer, I

inst have to get them on stage. The secret of success in this town is productivity. You must keep on going and keep on This summer Dexter was to have taken a break from the Met to produce Man and Superman at London's Royal Court. "It fell through some

New York this summer working with Zero Mostel on Arnold Wesker's play The Merchant. We considered this for London, bur it did not work out. Arnold's play of bonds and loyalties in Venice will open in Washington and we'll bring it to Broadway in October."

MONDAY BOOK

John Dexter crossed the road to Central Park, past the sourcels and skaters, towards

## Sweet and lyrical with vitality

lingers affectionately

Smetana Quartet.

Oueen Elizabeth Hall

Stanley Sadie

The fact that Czechoslovakia provides fine string quartets to fill half the world's concert halls must say something about the national character. Even more eloquent on that subject is the style particular to those ensembles. There is a touch of the nonchalant, even (no doubt deceptively) the casual about Czechoslovak quartet playing: it sounds easy and unselfconscious, yet in no way falls short when it comes to passion or to the dark colours that so often characterize Slavonic music. The Smetana Quartet played the first half of their programme yesterday in a rather contained fashion; one could be pardoned for thinking their tone on the small side of average. In their second half they played the E minor quartet of their eponymous composer. I was struck first of all by the naturalness of their

rubato: how when one player

yet all this without the faintest impression of premeditation. There was a great deal of gentle, leisurely rubato. Smetana slipped into his score a number of directions like dolce or even dolcissimo, but for these players he need for these players he need scarcely have troubled as they never ceased to be sweet and lyrical: even the fiery first movement development went without a harsh moment. Lyrical playing it was, but not without bite or vitality. The viola tone, rich and throaty, had

almost a hint of rasp in that energetic opening theme. The sumpmous ninth-chords of the polka positively throbbed; and in the finale the ambiguous sense of the music was fully caught, with the vivid recollec-tions of youthful dencing and jollity acquiring in the bleak retrospect of his later tragedies a kind of hectic, nightmarish flavour. But the essential character of this performance lay in the tender, ruminative playing: above all, in the Largo, with its soft A flat major tones

others so exactly follow him, irradiated textures, yet all this without the faintest. They had started the afternoon with Beethoven, the relaxed A major quarter from Op 18, done with particular op 18, done with particular care over articulation, over internal balance, over the quality of tone and its applicability to content. They moved easily from a sturdy sound to a translucent, almost shimmering one as the sense of the music altered. Not everything was impeccable, but much of the detail was extremely delicate.

At the beginning of Shoshakorich's third they captured
beautifully the light and,
urbane manner of diction and
the stonic quizzical tone, with-

the and the filigree lines that gently

out suggesting that this was other than a surface above more surbulent things. Those things duly forced their way abrough, in the Schetzo and the dark music of the Adagio; when the way manner netorned the tone was chastened, and the sense conveyed of a new wisdom and a deeper reality, nowhere more than in the soaring phrases of the fast bars, so postically played

LSO/Solti Festival Hall

William Mann

By now Sir Georg Solti has firmly espoused the cause of Elgar. Four of his six current concerts with the London Phil-harmonic Orchestra are devoted to composers with whom he feels special affinity: one of them, last night, was Elgar. He and the LPO gave us the second symphony which they recorded facing it by the violin concerto which they will record later this month with Kyung-Wha Chung, last night's soloist.

Recorded interpretations are no longer regarded as the permanent documents they once aspired to represent: rightly, no doubt, since every performance is liable to develop, however long already, in the musician's repertory. Yet one may still believe that record companies often rush their artists too hastily into the

Last night's performance of the symphony as much sur-passed the record as that did

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Lucia Popp Wigmore Hall

Joan Chissell

Solti, Elgar's many marks of A and R (not Artist and Repertory but accelerando and ritenuto) judged nicely in 2 broad context.

The finale was always, in reyed most clearly and expressively (it is a crucial exposi-tion of Elgar's mind at its most darkly ambivalent), like the of orchestral texture in the Solti accompan

same movement.
The rhythmic undersow of the first movement now pervades the reading more surely than before, the development and sophisticated for its animal selfrelease. The Adagio was nobly
done, though the sublime
second subject melody was at
first swamped by its, admittedly

Lucia Poor

her Covent Garden Annchen.

tenish charm.

the previous Festival Hall per-formance. Now the first move-ment is securely paced by time The LPO's bress in agile passages, woodwind in solos, strings often and again, made one wish that the record had been postponed until now or

Kyung-Wha Chung has been The finale was always, in Soln's reading, the major achievement, and remains a cogent experience, truly a summation of what went before. The scherzo too, last might, maintained its stature and invention to an uncommon degree: the constant shifts of rhythm and pulse were controlled in the scherz of the constant shifts of the scherz of th playing sometimes lacked the richness of colour that one hoped for, more rarely the intensity, but the outer move-ments did not sustain their

Solti accompanied (no, in this highly symphonic music, one must say that he led) with incisive vitality and natural tenderness. The active music of the first movement's develop-ment boded well for the record-

jäger " reveal either Schubert or Miss Popp wholly inside Lucia Popp with her husband, Gyorgy Fischer as planist, in aid of the Stanley Lewis Con-

aid of the Stanley Lewis Con-certs Society. In programme-building Miss Popp eschewed easy popularity in favour of quice a lar of neglected songs, nor all of them the greatest Schubert either. Such a house should have left her in no doubt as to London's delight in That little masterpiece of delicacy "Nachtviolen" brought the first suggestion of intimate confession and thereafter Miss Popp increasingly allowed her-self the personal numice within what still perhaps remained a more classical approach to Schubert than we often hear. In "Geheimes" and "Seligkeit" she could have given freer rein to happiness, As a lieder singer, she was no supporter of what was once described as the poetic supreand now and again in other smiling songs (not forgetting "Frühlingsglaube") Mr Fischer macy act. In other words sha offered real singing, strong-toned, extremely firm and shapely in contour and direct could perhaps have lightened his touch. But their togetherin expression. Colouring of in-dividual words was not allowed ness was a constant pleasure, not least in the Hugo-Wolflike introspection of "Dess sie hier gewesen", the intensity of "Wonne der Welsmut" and "Schwanengesang", the carefree "Fischerweise" and the rights promotic Schlegel "Der to disrupt the longer flow. Above all else, she never fell back on mere coquettish, kit-As Schubert thawed, so Miss

As Schubert thawed, so Miss Popp's voice grew more melting and supple. Three seasonal miniatures (autumn, winter and spring) at the start emerged somewhat impersonal Nor did songs like "Schatzgräbers pinc songs, with a fine last Begehr" and "Der Alpen-

veyed in a programme La Vie

Donizetti's Kenilworth

In the course of the Camden

Music Festival (March 19-April

Donizetti's Il Castello di
Kenikrorth will have what is

Robert Tear and Benjamin
Luxon give one of their programmes of Victorian Songs and
Ballads. French operetta is sursaid to be its British premiere at the Collegiate Theatre. Based Parisienne compered and accom-ou Scott's Kenihorth, it is panied by Courtney Kenny with Camden's first contribution to Deidre Pleydell, Ronald Mur-the Queen's Silver Jubilee Year dock and Richard Jackson. celebrations. Janet Price sings the role of Elizabeth I and Yvonne Kenny that of Amy Robsart, wife of Leicester. Jonathan Miller's Kent Opera production of Monteverdi's Orjeo will also be staged in London for the first time. Roger Norrington's edition of the original score uses the authentic Renaissance instrumentation; it will be performed in Anne Ridler's English version. At the St Pancras Assembly Rooms, Camden Town Hall, Chelsea Opera Group give a concert performance of Verdi's Les Vêpres Siciliennes con-ducted by John Matheson.

two recitals at the Assembly

Rooms when she will discuss

Shaw Theatre. Elisabeth Schwarzkopf gives

Twentieth-century music is performed at three concerts by contemporary music ensembles from the Guildhall School of Music and Drama, the Royal Academy and the Royal College of Music. A music theatre worl The Job, by Stephen Oliver, for 12 singers will have its first performance at The Place. Contemporary Dance is represented by three new groups: Junction, Extemporary and Sun Sum at the Shaw Theatre. The Jazz Centre Society present a week of concerts also at the Five concerts of choral music

include such works as L'Enfance du Christ by Berlioz, A Child of Our Time by Tippeit, and the first British performance of and explain each song. Jill the new Darvas edition of The as we mind, say, about Mr fully judged playing of Miss Gomez is heard for the first Resurrection and Ascension of time in London in recital at Jesus Christ by C. P. E. Bach. The analogy is not farietched; James Garbutt (Bill).



## Richmal Crompton

Just William ... London Weekend

Michael Church

When I heard that someone was going to have the remerity to televise the escapades of Richmel Crompton's William, I dug out one of those dog-eared red volumes which had once held me in such thrall.

No surpreses: not only was it funny, but it was also elegantly written, and satirical in a junior Evelyn Waugh kind of way. William was child-hood's necessary folk hero: the Caliban-like amadresis of all that his genteel bourgeois family stood for, not bad, but always transgressing, endlessly resourceful and always finally

triumphant With his little band of outand, when they can no longer fend her off, the deceptively lisping Violet Elizabeth Bott-William wages a constant war of attrition on the censorious adult world. His observation convinces him that, apart from a few anarchic figures such as tramps or kindly eccentaics, all grown ups are in some way mad But, they are also power-ful: his life is therefore dominated by the delinious joy

of a freshly-acquired sixpence or, at other times, by the dread-ful social and economic reverberations of a broken

I am happy to say that I do recognize both William and his world in Keith Dewhurst's first adapted story in Just William. That perennial infant question. how do grown-ups get money?", prompts William, young visiter-like, to copy an apparently adult ploy he hears being discussed in a newspaper—the fake begging lener. His letter lays things on a thick, of course, and he just would send it to his elder brother's girl-friend's father, and he just would sign it with his own father's name . . . predictable and wholly delightful explosions ensue.

Adrian Dannatt, as William, looks right but is not dirty enough, and he cannot as yet ring the necessary changes on outrage, assumed innocence and gloom—his exemplar's most important expressions. He also needs to look more scheming. Simon Chandler unterly convinces as Robert, and Hugh Cross makes a perfect Mr Brown with just the right blend of impatience and preoccupa-tion, and with a totally jaundiced view of his younger

When the Boat Comes In

BBC 1

Jan Stephens

It will seem a long interval before Jack Ford and the Seatons come back: hard to believe it is ı whole year since we became engrossed in them. Not necessarily in the weekly anecdore—the last, on Friday night, was muddled melodrama (the upper-class figures, incidentally, are often ludicrous). But each has served its purpose, which is to illustrate development in character. Laughter has long incer modulated into amused. since modulated into amused admiration and a growing concern for the real people at the heart of the series. Anyone who loves acting must have felt a thrill of pleasure, continually renewed, at the sheer satisfying consistency of the performances. In acting, too, you can go off the gold standard; bere you get sterling.

After the odious pallid fictions that sometimes pass for people on the box the Seatons ere riches indeed. We mind about what will happen to them

Mr James Mitchell, the origina tor and now the sole writer of the series, would not claim to be Trollope, but he, too, is in the happy position of having released a whole set of genies that follow their own natures and go their independent ways.

Mr James Bolam's Jack Ford, Mr James Bolam's Jack Ford, being focal, naturally first draws the eye. But notice how much grimmer he is, how obstinately loyal to self-interest, in spite of himself just not detestable—anything but a cardboard hero. And Miss Susan Jameson (Jessie Seaton that was) is also grimmer in the wrong marriage, but right, right. wrong marriage, but right, right, right, right in everything she does. And how relieved we are that poor Tom (Mr John Nightingale), the weak, the unlucky one, has come through his troubles and may soon make poor Dolly (Miss Madelaine Newton) an honest woman as well as a happy one.

At this point we declare an interest. Jack and Jessie were made for each other, and the removal of each impediment to their eventual reunion we count as a victory-remember how Trollope disappoints us over Lily Dale. And yet I'm not sure that my greatest pleasure doesn't come from the beauti-

the Met, a theatre which is both adventurous and full. time ago because I wanted a young actor with box-office appeal to play Tanner, and I couldn't find one. Of course John Higgins Down and

Vorticism

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Volume Two: Synthesis and

**By Richard Cork** (Gordon Fraser, £37)

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The enormous undertaking that Richard Cork set himself is now complete. I doubt whether anything important about the origins and practice of Vorticism remains to be discovered, unless the many lost works of the Vorticists miraculars turn and

lously turn up.

The form of the book has, no doubt, been determined by the extent that so much of the Vorticists's work vanished without trace (or with only the inadequate truce of a badly Blast or a newspaper of the time). This means that Cork often has to argue at great length to establish the prob-able quality of works which no

longer exist.

The large format of the book The large format of the book and the extremely high standards of production have allowed a large number of the surviving works to be reproduced. Many are in colour and these are tipped into the text so that they appear at the point where they are discussed in most detail. In so large a book this eases the reader's task considerably, avoiding the usual nightmare of having to move forward and back continually from reproduction to text. But it is a pity that when text. But it is a pity that when works Hustrated in the first volume are referred to in the second, no page numbers have been inserted in the text or in

can be quickly located.

In this second instalment Cork gives a detailed analysis of the achievements of the artists associated with Vorticism—Lewis, Wadsworth, Roberts, Bomberg, Etchells, Hamiton, Atkinson, Dismorr, Saunders, Gaudier-Brzeska and Epstein. His analysis of their individual week-part and transph vidual weakness and strengths is extremely rigorous. The chapters on the two sculptors, Gaudier and Epstein are parti-cularly clear and direct, espe-cially the long analysis of the genesis, completion and final

truncation of The Rock Drill. Cork concludes by tracing the final decline of Vorticism from the commissions from the Canadian War Memorials Fund given to Nevinson, Bomberg, Wadsworth Roberts, Etchells and Lewis. This scheme had been instigated by the future Lord Beaverbrook and the committee would have no truck with abstraction or near

abstraction.
Sadly, all of these artists were. prepared to compromise and produced relatively realistic and tame pictures. But it is clear that their adherence to the Vor-ticist style or a coherent deveficist style or a conerent development from it had been shaken by the war, the mechanized brutality of which too closely resembled that which they had imaged in their work. Leger, too, the French artist who is closest to Vorticism, had been profoundly disturbed and changed by his own war experiences: wer he own war experiences; yer he was able to go forward and produce a vital modern art in the Twenties. But as Cork points out, "he was a more formidably singleminded per-sonality than any of his English counterparts".

The only Vorticist who was of work after the war was William Reberts whose later paintings have, in their curious and provincial way, much in common with the last works of Leger. But Cork, who refuses to see any virtue in work which did not adhere to the rigorous abstractionist principal. rigorous abstractionist princi-ples of pre-war Vorticism, does not allow this, although he has

not allow this, although he has a kind word for Robert's comic re-creation of a Vorticist dinner, painted in 1961-62, The Vorticists at the Restaurant de la Tour Eiffel: Spring 1915.

Cork's summing up of the importance of the movement and its legacy is slightly marred by a curious few paragraphs and two illustrations of supposedly Vorticist-inspired dress fabrics designed by Rersupposedly Vorticist-inspired dress fabrics designed by Bernard Nevill in 1966. These are altogether trivial and not worthy of inclusion.

Paul Overv

A Terrific Thing, the exhibition with a section on Vorticism which Paul Overy reviewed at Norwich last year, is at the Museum of Modern Art, Oxford until February 27. The reconstruction of the original version of Epstein's The Rock Drill is now included.

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industries and frequently undermine the kind of pricing policies, financial objectives and investment criteria. Inid down in the 1967 White Paper.

Inflation has seriously impaired the use of a Test Rate of Discount of 10 per cent for new projects. It means that, with prices rising at 15 per cent a year, projects would have to produce an unrealistic 25 per cent return in money terms.

At the same time there has been a general reduction in recent years in the profitability of private investment, which is supposed to establish the yardstick for judging public sector commercial activities. Furthermore, much investment of the nationalized industries is not discretionary, but essential to

meet safety and infrastructure. Often in the past projects have not resulted naturally from state industry plans. But, rather, the plans have had to be tailored to accommodate Whitehall-approved projects.
Partly to tackle these problems the Treasury, together with representatives of nation

alized industries and their sponsoring departments, met early last summer to consider a paper prepared by Mr Michael Posner, then the Government's deputy chief economic adviser. But since dual

mounting disruption By R. W. Shakespeare With nearly 6,000 of its workers already idle because of continuing disputes, British Leyland faces the probability of mounting disruption from today, as more assembly areas are hit by component shortages. And a second threat to the group's operations is posed by the possibility of new sanctions by car delivery drivers.

Leyland

delivery drivers.

Leyland's two main trouble centres are the Triumph car plant at Coventry, which is at a standstill with more than

3,000 workers laid off because

of a strike by 350 paint shop men; and the big Midlands

body-making factory at Castle Bromwich, where another 1,000 workers are idle because of a

strike by 350 press operators.

The Triumph strikers are pro-

testing over the management's use of industrial engineers on

work study exercises in their

department. Leyland has had a long battle over this issue in

various plants in spite of the fact that it has firm agreements with the car unions on the use

Because of the standstill at Coventry, which has halted out-put of Dolomite, Stag, Spitfire and Triumph 2000 cars, another 400 workers have had to be laid

off from the Triumph plant at

Liverpool, where production of Dolomire car bodies for ship-

ment to Coventry has been

At Castle Bromwich the

press operators strike and the consequent lay-offs is the one that is likely to have increas-

ingly serious effects this week,

since shortages of car body shells are likely to affect pro-

duction at Jaguar (Coventry), Rover (Solihuli), and the Mini

assembly lines at Longbridge

The Mini lines are being re-

started today after a standstill last week caused by another

strike at Castle Bromwich, in-

volving 400 inspectors and the lay-off of a separate 2,000

workers. But the management has given warning that produc-tion could be short lived if the

of industrial engineers.

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(Birmingham).

plants face

One possibility that seems to be emerging from these talks is that instead of applying the TRD mechanically on single projects, a blend of criteria will be adopted to assess the value of investments in whole sectors or programmes.

industry representatives appear

The broad position was set out last November in the study of the nationalized industries carried out by the National Economic Development Office This noted that the main part of the investment programmes of the Post Office and British Gas was determined by prior strategic decisions to maintain a certain standard for telecommunication services or to purchase the output of North Sea gas fields.

In these cases investment could not be disaggregated for purposes of appraisal because it related to total systems—the telephone system or the gas distribution grid—and con-sequently most of the invest-ment programmes became classified as inescapable or

The NEDO study, to which the Government's White Paper will, in part, be a response, said that the 1967 criteria for control of the nationalized industries had been invalidated by subsequent government price restraint policies, and it was doubtful whether they had made any contribution to improving the allocation and effective use of resources.

recommended arrangements for the economic and financial control of state industries should be designed to take account of their indivicircumstances within a suitable framework of control

ists, academics and then officials from the Treasury suitable framework of control industry specialists, and the Departments of Industry specialists, and the Departments of Industry specialists.

press operators' dispute goes The operators are protesting over having pay stopped for a meeting held during working hours. They had been given permission for a 30-minute meeting but the management claims that it lasted for several

Greek Colocotronis shipping liveries have already proved troublesome and costly for Ley-land, and could do so again. The drivers have threatened to reimpose sanctions at all Ley-land plants throughout the Midlands unless they get some firm guarantees that access will be limited to specific delivery companies at certain plants. Clifford Webb writes: Leyland Cars yesterday announced an unexpected 27 per cent increase in its Danish car sales last year, further strengthen-

> The biggest increase was in sales of the Mini. At 8,600 they were up by 67 per cent. In all 20.542 Levland cars were bought by Danes, giving the British company nearly 14 per cent of the total market.

ing the market leadership it has

held there for the past three

## Cheap imports force British Steel to lower prices of some products

By Perer Hill
Increasing low-cost imports have caused the British Steel Corporation to cut the price of hot rolled coil and sheet by offering customers rebates of £10 a tonne.

The corporation also confirmed yesterday that the price of the bulk of its products would continue frozen because of poor market conditions, but the price of tinolate will rise

the price of timplate will rise by an average of 10.8 per cent Its announcement followed clear indications last week that the market for steel was deteriorating so much that commercial executives had ruled out any prospect of the BSC being able to lift prices in

April as expected.

This worsening United Kingdom demand for steel has caused the corporation to trim production by about 15,000 tonnes a week and to launch a sales drive in export markets round the world. Prospects for breaking even in the financial year which ends early in April have now receded, but the BSC

hopes to be able to keep the loss to less than £70m.

The corporation said that the latest price changes reflected its flexible policy aimed at adjusting prices to meet market needs. The £10 temporary rebate on hot rolled coil and sheet will apply until further notice on all orders for delivery by July 2 this year, and reoreby July 2 this year, and represents an effective 6 per cent

the products involved are widely used for automotive component manufacture, with considerable amounts taken by steel re-rolling companies in the private sector. Hot rolled coil and sheet represent some £109m of the BSC's annual turn-

prompted by the price of some imports, particularly from Japan, South Korea and the Philippines. Although the rebate will not reduce prices to those low levels, it will bring the BSC price more into line

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April—as previously anticipated—in the price of cold reduced steel and other strip mill products, and the price of other products will be reviewed in the light of market conditions."

A spokesman added: "We have emple stocks of steel and there are no supply problems We have every intention of remaining competitive." The corporation is anxious to claw back a greater share of the United Kingdom market, which has been eroded by imports over the past three years as a result of the BSC inability in the past to meet supply

rements. Business Diary in Europe,

## Central banks ready to set seal on \$3,000m safety net for pound

Western central bankers, meeting in Basle today, are expected to put the final touches to last month's agreement setting up a "safety net" under the official foreign sterling balances held in the City of London.

It is understood that the text of the \$3,000m standby credit being provided by the Bank for International Settlements has still to be settled. Also, one or two points of detail have to be completed.

However, there is no question of any change being made in last month's agreement, which has proved to be one of the key factors behind the strengthening of sterling in recent weeks.

The central bankers, who are attending one of their regular monthly meetings at the BIS, will probably be interested to hear whether any progress has been made by the Bank of England towards issuing the foreign currency bonds, which it was agreed last month should be offered to present official

Bank's governor, is expected to report on the attitude of the various official sterling creditors

abroad towards the bonds.

pect of a surge in imports of

cotton yarn from South Korea before the end of this year has

been voiced by leaders of the cotton and allied textile in-

sources, the South Koreans plan

to intall an additional 800,000 spindles in their textile mills

Korean cotton yarn into Britain are due to expire at the

end of next mouth. The quota

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Serious concern at the pros- arrangements involved were

bank sources, the bonds are likely to be mainly denominated in dollars with other strong currencies such as the German mark, the Swiss franc and the Japanese yen playing less important roles. If European central bankers are any guide, it would be false to imagine that Britain is under

any urgent time pressure to settle the formula for the foreign currency bonds. But progress would be welcome. For the participating central bankers, the monthly Basle meetings have a great advantage in that there is no fixed agenda. The meetings provide an ideal forum for talking round subjects, large and small.

This month, the weather is likely to figure in the discus-

sions, although not merely in the form of small talk. With the cold spell in the United States continuing, it is clearly too early to discuss the full domestic economic impli-cations and the effect that it could have on the world

Mr Gordon Richardson, the that the central bankers from the United States' main trading partners will be interested to bear an interim account. Problems for the Bank, p21

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Negotiations for a revision of

## By Arthur Reed Air Correspondent

him in his London hotel, that the losses two years ago had reached a stage where the whole future of the airline was put in doubt.

TWA moved out of its crisis through a series of tough policy decisions. No fewer than nine of its fleet of Boeing 747 jumbo jets and two Lockheed

the bills", Mr Meyer said. One 747 has since been bought back. Staff was cut from 37,000 to 34,500 (the total had been 41,000 in 1970), and aggressive cost-control and marketing

Mr Meyer said: "If we are going to preserve the jobs of 34,000 people, we hope to buy new aircraft. And there is no vay of buying new aircraft unless we make profits of S60m a year at least over the next five

## Home state predicts cool Carter look at the freeze

Atlanta, Georgia.—The in-tense and prolonged period of cold weather in the United States has altered the economic outlook. It has strength-ened the new Administration's resolve on a swift development of an effective energy policy. But it is a matter of guess-work whether President Carter will also decide to expand the size of his recently proposed

economic stimulus. The freeze has produced a American family's fuel bill of about \$140, according to a Library of Congress study. Higher fuel costs are seen as drawing about \$9,000m from potential spending on consumer goods.

Severe weather and fuel shortages have forced the closure of many factories, placing up to three million people temporarily out of work. Official January unemployment figures. released on Friday and show-ing a 0.5 per cent fall to 7.3 per cent in the national rate, were based on a survey taken before the onset of the bitter

The full effect of the weather on the economy's growth rate cannot yet be determined; but most economists admit there will be a need to reduce their forecasts. With Wall Street reflecting the mood of uncertainty, the Dow Jones industrial average has fallen by about 60 points since the start of the year to close last Friday at 947.89. Dr Arthur Burns, chairman

of the Federal Reserve system, appears unworried by the climatic disturbances. He told a congressional com-

mittee last Thursday: "The economy is improving on its own...it is not clear that any stimulus is needed at all." Numerous leading liberal members of the Congress believe the President's 1977

stimulative measures, totalling \$15,500m, must be substantially expanded. Suggestions for larger public

works schemes and greater tax cuts are being made. Businessmen in

Businessmen in Atlanta, Georgia, who know the Presi-dent well, maintain that he will not easily change his mind. They assert that he tends to remain very firm once he has decided a matter and is much more conservative than is generally realized. Concern with inflation, they say, is likely to play a critical role in his thoughts about increasing the stimulus.

Mr Carter was Governor of Georgia for four years and developed a close working relaionship with business leaders here in Atlanta. Those I spoke with stressed that the new President is tough, fair, prag-matic and most unlikely to be stampeded into taking possibly short term popular decisions that the liberal Congress may

favour. Mr R. S. Maurer, senior vice President of Delta airlines, for example, stressed that Mr Carter always makes a strong effort to solicit a wide range of views on any controversial

matter. On the basis of what businessmen say here it seems unlikely right now that he will respond swiftly to the chilling economic news with proposals for a substantial expansion of his reflationary programme.

The terrible weather bas,

however, increased the President's determination to move ahead at great speed with new programmes to force greater energy conservation and greater use of coal.

Frank Vogl

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They agrees the United Kingdom able to obtain competitive price and delivery terms.

They accept the long-term strategic requirement of maintaining a healthy British shipbuilding capacity. Like other industries throughout the world shipbuilding is suffering from severe overcapacity as a result of the slump in demand for new vessels.

Britain's vards also suffered from the uncertainty caused by the Government's much delayed and controversial nationalization plans. Union leaders have pronounced themselves against contraction and redundancies, but independent estimates suggest that up to 50 per cent of the British shipbuilding capacity may have to be phased

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who are fighting to from the country's major ports, closure of the Mr O'Hagan said: "We got 100 rowned docks at per cent backing from the national port shop stewards. If the strike has no effect then the action will be stepped up." The only concession made so far by the Conservative-controlled council, which made the decision soon after taking control after last May's elections. is for the closure to be delayed pending a review from the National Ports Council. About 700 jobs are affected.

## suit against ship family European American Bank of

New York, in which Midland Bank holds a 20 per cent stake, has initiated a S111m (about 565m) legal action in the High family.

The action has been begun by European American, a consorrium bank, in its capacity as leader of syndicated loans to the ailing Colocorronis group. The bank is itself already the subject of legal action from other banks in the United States over the manner in which the loans were arranged.

European American's lawsuit against four members of the Colocotronis family concerns 16 alleged mortgage debts on ships and money allegedly due under personal guarantees The defendants are Lady Crawford, wife of Sir Frederick Crawford; her brother, Mr Emmanuel Colocotronis, the shipbroker; and two sons by her first marriage, Mr Alexander Georgiadis and Mr Antony Georgiadis.

### Coffee price fillin

Higher world coffee prices raised the real economic growth rate for the five nations associated with the Central American Common Market-Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua—by more than 7 per cent in 1976, according to the IMF.

N Sea gas pipe plan

North Sea gas is one of the decade's major success stories, Mr Alex Eadie. Under-secretary of State for Energy, claimed yesterday. He revealed that the Government was considering a vast undersea network of pipes to boost the annual balance of payments saving of £2,000m rom underwater gas to double

### Cakes cutback

United Biscuits (UK) is pulling out of the "short-life" cake market because it has not been

Swiss watch sales decline halted By Derek Harris

Switzerland's watchmakers, plagued by problems ranging from the hard Swiss franc to the inroads of United States semiconductor companies in the electronic watch market, saw another decline in exports last year of 5.5 per cent worldwide. Their sales to Britain plummeted 24.7 per cent. But there are signs that the

Commercial Editor

downward trend is bottoming out, according to Mr Paul Tschudin, vice-president of Ebauches SA, which claims to be the largest world producer of components for the watch

at the weekend that the level-

"Mr Tschudin said in London

months of this year appeared fort from the accumulating evito be maintaining the new dence that buyers are beginning trend.

to move away from the cheapest Ebauches, which in two years

has cut its workforce from 11,000 to 7,500, expects no further cutbacks. But Mr Tschudin added: "It is only a But Mr bottoming out as far as quan-tities and value is concerned. Profits are still badly squeezed."

He went on: "We ourselves are just in the black but the situation is such that we have to concentrate not so much on profit but on merely keeping the factories going and the workers paid. That means investment has to come from reserves, as in our case, or as with some other Swiss companies, from borrowing. That could go on only so long."

The Swiss, latecomers in the fast expanding electronic digital

digitals—the LED or light emitting diode watches, which typically display time at the push of a button. Watches with

LCD. or liquid crystal displays, are becoming more popular, although these are at the moment at least double the price of LED watches. Mr Tschudin forecast that the world watch market in 1990 would crill be also as the control of t market in 1980 would still be taking 60 per cent mechanical watches, with LED digitals at 5 per cent and LCDs at 15 per The surprising statistic was

that the Swiss expect analog watches—solid-state electronic watches but with traditional hands driven by a tiny step-motor—to claim 20 per cent of the market compared with less than 2 per cent last year.

### profitable for some years, the ling out appeared to set in company said at the weekend. last September and the first watch sector, are taking com-Strike ultimatum to Datch industry

From Sue Masterman The Hague, Feb 6

Eighty large companies in Holland have been given an ultimatum by unions to agree to automatic compensation for inflation, or face industrial With a few minor exceptions,

Dutch industry has refused to agree, and a spate of stoppages is expected to disrupt output during the coming weeks. The stoppages, which would affect ports, newspapers and most major branches of industry, would be the first large-scale union rebellion in Holland

for five years. They have set up a strike control centre in Utrecht from where they will order from hour to hour the walkouts in the industries which have ignored or turned down their ເມ່ນການເພາະ

Automatic compensation to wage earners for the rise in the of living has become a situation. normal ingredient of the collective agreement which unions strike notices for the dairy disaster.

The unions claim that it has become a right, but this year the employers have said they will agree to compensation, but will not be constrained to pay

ir automatically.

The unions argue that in agreeing to accept in principle industry's offer of wage agreements, including a rise in spending power of 1 per cent or less, they have gone a long way towards supporting the battle

against inflation.

The right to strike has still to be established in Dutch law: On Friday a Utrecht court granted an injunction ordering a 20-day cooling-off period in the dairy sector, where strikes were due to start on Monday.
Other branches of industry could now go to court and will probably obtain similar injunctions, but they know that this would only aggravate the

The unions have withdrawn

and employers negotiate an- industry, and it looks as though members will accept this. Other union branches, bowhas already been wildcat action industries, and a court injunc-tion banning official strike action there would inevitably result in a walkout.

Dutch strike technique is an extraordinary exercise in the calculated concentration of industrial aggression. The unions generally call out only key wor-kers in each branch of industry, thus causing the whole mech-anism to grind to a halt. 'In some sectors, where stocks

have risen much too high during the past recession, a two-week stoppage would not be unwelcome, although there is no management which would Treasury Bill Tender:
publicly admit this.

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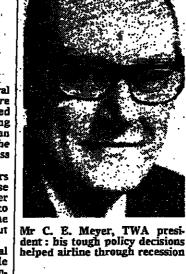
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## Airline chief forecasts buoyant year

World airlines are moving our of the slump in their for-tunes produced by the 1974 fuel crisis and the economic outlook for 1977 is a good one, according to Mr C. E. Meyer, president and chief airline executive of Trans World Airlines, speaking in London over the weekend.

Mr Meyer is the chief architect of his airline's remarkable financial turnround, in which a corporate loss of \$86.3m for 1975 was converted into a profit of \$25.8m for 1976. fit of 536.8m for 1976. He agreed, when I talked to

TriStars were sold. "We needed the cash to pay

measures were introduced.

or six years."

percentage of jobs lost is esti-

mated at about 10 per cent.
The city of Manchester itself

has certainly fared no better than its neighbours within the

"Greater" area—and probably a good deal worse than most. It has reached the point at which a determined effort to

reverse the trends of many years' standing became impera-tive. Hence the new depart-ment headed by Mr Hadwen

and a £1m city council budget

for a job-creation programme.

Mr Hadwen himself says of

the city: "It is still the centre

of the North-west region, and given a proper level of invest-

ment its prospects are bright

It is strategically sited at the

heart of a big conurbation, and

opportunities for industrialists are excellent." Grave words.

Mr Robert Calderwood, Man-

chester's town tlerk, describes

the halt in the decline of job

opportunities within the city as

"One big fault in Manches-ter has been the failure to hold on to existing small firms.

many of which were displaced

by slum clearance and just dis-

appeared, or moved to other

areas where there were incentives to set up new factories", he explained.

treat its industrial redevelop-ment as "a major priority" comes at a time when the

Government itself has become

embarrassingly aware of the plight of inner urban areas.

not long ago Mr Shore, Secre-

tary of State for the Environ-ment, said that times had

planned. He conceded that

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By Peter Hill Morale throughout the chemicals industry is being under-mined by Britain's high taxa-The personnel manager of the tion, and top managerial talent British subsidiary of a large is leaving Britain to work European group told the assoabroad, it was claimed yester- ciation that as a direct result

studied information provided by companies, there has been a significant drop in morale and benefits.
over recent months, an increase The manag in emigration, difficulties in persuading staff working abroad to return to the United Kingdom, and a tendency for people to move from one company to another to beat the salary

Mr Martin Trowbridge, director-general of the association, sald: "This tax-induced game of musical chairs is robbing Britain of some of our top had resigned to join companies chemical talent and lowering in north America. This was as morale among those who stay many as had done this in the put. In taxation terms, many previous decade.

selves for the market mechan-isms. If the sectoral committees

developed themselves, they would pose a threat to competi-

Speaking in his Kingston-on-

said the strategy contained a

sinister element—the use of

managers in the chemical in-dustry are now worse off than of the pay code, four of the According to the Chemical In- company's qualified technical dustries Association, which has staff had left to join competitors in Britain to obtain immediate improvements in salaries The managing director of a

medium-sized company said that one of its managers based in Australia was under-utilized, but because of his salary in Australia it would be impossible to ask him to return to Britain. The personnel manager of the British subsidiary of another European group told the association that in the past 12 months four graduate chemists had resigned to join companies

### Tory spokesman | Moratorium on attacks Whitehall excise 'bias' on grants duty advocated

The Government's industrial strategy was attacked yesterday As part of its continuing cam-paign against increased excise duties and indirect taxation, the as a threat to the rule of impar-tial law and was described as Wine and Spirit Association has "harmless and meaningless
Mr Norman Lamont, Opposition spokesman for industry,
said the strategy threatened a
considerable misallocation of submitted a paper to the Treas-ury arguing for a moratorium duty increases in the spring Budget.

The WSA has enlisted the serresources through Whitehall committees, substituting them. vices of the Henley Centre for Forecasting to draw up a paper which was submitted to the Treasury last week and which it is believed supports the view that further heavy taxation on drink would curb the rate of increase in both Government and industry revenues. Thames constituency Mr Lamont

Since April 1975 duties have been raised three times, and grants to industry handed out, the WSA argues that any furnot according to impartial rules and regulations, but on an arbitrary and discretionary basis.

## Price of Bullock 'too high'

wage restraint is to be accept-ance of the Bullock Committee's proposals on industrial democracy, there would be "total opposition" from industry, according to a survey conducted by the London Chamber of ommerce and Industry.

The improvement in the nations fortunes will depend heavily on a new pay policy for phase three, the chamber "but if Bullock is the price of continuation of the social contract then the price would be too high".

If the price for continued policy to continue, the chamber points out, but with allowance for differentials to help skilled workers and managers. will involve continued support

The chamber's survey shows that industry believes the Bul-lock report has "done participation a disservice "

The chamber has noted the enermous concern on the part of foreign-owned business even those with experence of dealing with the systems of worker participation operating in Germany and Sweden.

## High taxation 'robbing | Manchester council primes inner UK chemical concerns city development with £1m budget

The city of Manchester—not to be confused with the amorphous creature born of local reorganization and known as Greater Manchester—has launched a

big effort to try to reverse the trial base and the consequent lost job opportunities. As a preliminary step the city has appointed its first director of industrial develop-

ment. He is Mr Jack Hadwen, 48, former company director and independent industrial consultant. Until now Manchester has had only an industrial development officer-Mr Jack

The manner of Mr Hadwen's transformation from IDO to DOID was not as straightforward as it looks. There were some 170 applicants for the new £9,000-a-year post. From these a short list of seven was drawn up and from this number Mr Hadwen was

One may be tempted to wonder why he could not have been promoted, but local government—and some industries for that matter—moves in mysterious ways its wonders to perform, and its empires to build.

At the end of the day there is a serious argument for, and a serious purpose behind, Manchester's reorganization—and elevation in status—of its industrial department. The argument for making the change is quite simply that Mr Hadwen's previous department could not command the resources, nor had it the range and scope of activities needed to tackle the

In his new post, with a team of four specialists, Mr Hadwen will have not only the auth-ority and the staff but the financial backing by the city council to launch a much big-

ger operation. has intermediate area status in Manchester's industrial probterms of regional aid, and the

Industry in the regions

lems can really be seen in the sort of creeping blight that has overtaken it, if not entirely unnoticed then certainly unheeded for many years, at the decision taking levels in Westminster and Whitehall.

When the North-west complained, as it frequently did, that successive regional aid policies were in practice doing little more than swopping one set of problems for another, experience Manchester-and some other inner urban areas—was precisely what it had in mind.

For many years the city was totally excluded from all regional aid policies. It could offer no special inducements to potential industrial deve-lopers, and indeed for long periods it was extremely difficult even to secure an industrial development certificate within the city boundaries.

While the pressure was on to channel industrial invest-

ment to areas where it was judged the need was greatest, judged the need was greatest, Manchester was engaged in wholesale clearance of huge inner city areas. Sweeping away derelict housing was, of course, the main aim, but with it went a great deal of industry, especially small and medium-sized manufacturing. If one takes the new Greater Manchester area as a whole (simply because it is for this that statistics are available), in a 10-year period up to 1972 there was a net loss of 100,000 jobs—abour 8 per cent

of the total job opportunities.
This trend has continued in spite of the fact that it now

exists in a way it did not a decade or so ago". R. W. Shakespeare

**Business appointments** 

## New chairman at Barclays Tozer

Sir Campbell Adamson has become chairman of Barclays Tozer in succession to Mr J. St J. Mr John Methven, director-general of the Confederation of British Industries, has been appointed to the Council of the Institute for Fiscal Studies in succession to Sir Campbell Adam-son.

Mr P. V. Reed has joined the board of Paternoster Computer

board of Paternoster Computer Services.

Mr C. G. Gregory has been made a director of Pentos.

Mr W. J. A. Dacombe has become chairman of Williams, Glyn and Co, the merchant bank-ing subsidiary of Williams and Glyn's Bank.

Mr K. Barnes has joined the

board of Grayston.

Mr J. Mundeli has been elected chairman of the British Metal Castings Council. He is chairman of Dennis Castings and chairman of the non-ferrous sector working parts of the National Economic party of the National Economic Development Council. Mr H. Karus has been appointed to board of British Enkalon.

Mr Ian Halliday is to become group finance director at Leslie & Godwin (Holdings) on March 1, 1977. Mr Halliday has been on secondment to the Department of Industry as a deputy director of the Industrial Development Unit. Mr R. L. Brack, formerly finance director or EMI Hotels & Restaurants, has been made managing director of the res-taurants division, and succeeds Mr

director of the main company.
Colonel Sir Douglas Clague has been appointed chairman for cometto and Mr Henry Moss joins the board. Mr Peter Russell

the board. Mr Peter Russell'
becomes finance director.
Mr T, V. Edge and Mr M. H.
Wilkes have joined the board of
Mitchell Cotts Airfreight.
Mr Douglas Melrose is to take
up the post of accounting services
for the British Gas Corporation.
Messrs V. W. Good, J. G. Griffiths, M. J. S. Neville and K. F. D.
Wilson have become directors of bave become directors of Castrol. Non-executive Mr A. T. Cockle and Mr F. A. Laker have retired from the board and the resignation of H. S. But-terworth becomes effective in June.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Arguments in favour of a 'nil' pay norm

From Mr J. L. Croome Sir. Dr Michael Young's proposal for a nil norm in any further round of pay restraint deserves less cavalier treat-ment than ir was given in your "Banquo's Norm" (January 26).

lier and current periods of res-traint have virtually enforced increases in wages and salaries, added costs being largely reflected in prices have damaged the efforts to export more and to improve our position in the Some company boards have

recommended dividends in-creased by the statutory maximum even though their profits have not risen enough to Ruxley, cover the higher payments. Yet Claygate. few people feel any real bene-

The pretence of paying more for the same has left wide

demand and uncompetitive this was also the subject of producers, will doubtless benefit all as consumers, workers, "Banquo's Norm". employers and shareholders. But it is hardly possible to hope that the conditions for casting away all norms will have been achieved by next August.
The norm adopted for yet

another year of pay restraint needs to reflect the reality that Britain is still far from paying its debts and has a discreditable rate of inflation. Sir Derek Erra proposes that a flexible percentage pay increase be allowed so that technical and professional skill may be given incentive. The objective is worthy, but experience suggests that flexibility would result in pay increases larger than expected and 8 Sr Andrews Place, damaging to our overriding Cardiff CF1 3BE.

need to lower price inflation. Only a nil norm would be practicable, contribute towards holding or reducing inflation, and offer the prospect of improving our chance of giving up all norms and returning to free bargaining next time The norms used in the ear- round. A nil norm might indeed also give a stimulus to the effort and skill of labour and management if it could be whether earned or not. The combined with payment of a approach a stockbr added costs being leggely re, year-end bonus (wholly or par- Thanks to his assistance I year-end bonus (wholly or par-

tially tax free?) to workers, management and shareholders based on any increase in pro-fits that the particular firm freely given by the Depart earned in the 12 months end-of National Savings. inflation league for the major fits that the particular firm industrial countries. earned in the 12 months ending August, 1978. Yours faithfully LEWIS CROOME, Pearmain,

Ruxley, Surrey KT10 0UB.

From Ms Beata Lipman spread frustration in face of Sir, Ar today's meeting (Janu-distortions created by the ary 27) of the Welsh Comsumalready long period of pay res-traint.

Markets in which relative claim this week's widely publiplace without controls, without the frustration of "norms" or well-meaning but distorting subsidies and props to flagging demand and uncompetitive

discussions on the pay code. This was also the subject of Consumer Council I was consulted about this matter but, along with other members of that council, was given an assurance that Michael Young's proposal would be made as a personal statement and not one National Consumer Council. The Welsh Consumer Council considers the proposal to be ill-considered, unrealistic, and

Yours, etc. BEATA LIPMAN, Chairwoman, Welsh Consumer Council, Squeezing in the private investor .

From Mr D. W. Irons Under Squeezing out the privat vestor" your Financial E deplores the way in which stitutions now dominate stock market.

As a recently retired servant I received the gratuity, and for the first in my life I was abl be substantially better off those many colleagues

There must be tens of sands of these retirement ques paid out every Cannot the stock exchang more to advertise its servic Yours faithfully, D. W. IRONS. Bryn Hyfryd, Menai Bridge Gwynedd, LL59 5SN.

## exporters

From Ms Lucien Gubbay Sir, One hears and reads about the feebleness of assistance offered to exp by British embassies and commissions abroad.

I have just returned fre overseas tour in com with the promotion of professional services. It places visited, very usefu was provided by the high missions. Particularly in dad and in Nassau, the of knowledge displayed, the practical assistance ingly given by the comm likely to be particularly detri-mental to the Welsh consumer. secretaries were most in sive. Our country is served by such representa Yours faithfully, LUCIEN GUBBAY. London Will IAP. February 1

### Use of electricity for heating delivered to the home. In fact low as 10 per cent. It

From Mr Terry Goddard Sir, I am surprised at the com-ments made about the use of Group (February 2).

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Mr Crabbe also maintains

the Building Research Centre improvement in contro in their booklet entitled make it much higher ( electricity for heating by David Energy Conservation in the Crabbe of the Energy Research Home suggest that, in time, we will have a manufacturing overhead in distribution losses in the order of 26 per cent. Mr Crabbe has also conveniently ignored appliance efficiency in the home. Elec-

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electricity must play a part in our future. Yours faithfully, TERRY GODDARD, Chairman of the Electric ing Bureau, 25 North Row

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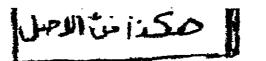
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### BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

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Mr Alexander Ritchie, chair-man of Union Discount; intolerable to make persisting

which has obliged the houses to borrow continuously from the Bank of England to fund their portfolios. Since the houses borrow from the Bank at MLR they make running losses on that part of their portfolios. folios, such as Treasury bills, which yield less than their The houses scope to switch

their portfolios into other higher yielding assets is severely constrained by their need to hold certain eligible assets—Treasury bills and bank hills for instance—which the bills, for instance—which the Bank will accept as security against its loans. The necessity of the houses to hold such assets partly explains why both types of bill are yielding sig-nificantly less than other money market instruments. It is against this background

that the Bank of England's move becomes so painful. Friday's Treasury bill tender demonstrated once and for all that the Bank cannot control the short term money markets any longer through its traditional system of nods and winks. The discount houses may still conform to the Bank's wishes, but other buyers who have now become much more of a force are not so influenced.

They ignored the signs that the Bank wanted to hold back the decline in rates and hid for bills in such a way that, under the normal formula, MLR would have fallen another quarter point to 113 per cent. Since the houses' bids were uncom-peritive they once again got To raise their eligible assets.

however, the houses still have to buy bills in the secondary markets. This helps to keep bill rates down and the net result is that, since their MLR-related borrowing costs are being held artificially high, the running losses on their bill holdings are becoming even The houses are not yet com-

plaining very loudly about this, if only because it is only the most recent Treasury bill issues that are so unprofitable and hecause the houses still think there are good capital profits yet to come in the shape of lower interest rates. But their objections could become much more vociferous if the Bank continues to peg MLR above its market level for very long. Mr Alexander Ritchie, Union Mr Alexander Ritchie, Discount's chairman, was point-ing out in his annual report last week that it is intolerable in the long term for a discount house to make persisting running losses on its book.

## Composite Insurance

### Recovery potential As the results reporting season

of the major composite insur-ance companies draws near, the

severe weather conditions in the United States.

The long-heralded underwriting recovery, loss-elimination in the United States market, currency inflation of overseas earnings and the resurgence in investment income, all factors expected to start showing through in 1976's results seem to have been forgotten in the face of blizzards in Buffalo. Stockbrokers Hoare Govett provides a timely reminder of the composites potential in its annual sector review.

Hoare argue that the pros-pect of 40 per cent earnings growth across the sector in 1977 and a possible further 20 per cent growth in 1978 is a persuasive case for the shares, particularly in view of their recent weakness

Looking back on 1976 Hoare identifies the start of the recovery in US underwriting accounts, with losses for the seven leading composites cut from 1975's £117m to an estimated £59.8m. But of equal importance they note the impact on United Kingdom business of January's storm damage and later subsidence claims of £60m or more, claims pushing the sector's aggregate UK account an estimated £34.5m into the red after 1976's £6.9m profit.

Elsewhere Hoare

European covered by recovery in Australia and an at least temporary recovery in Canada. For the individual companies Hoare forecast a recovery from 1975's £10.2m loss to a £44.4m pre-tax profit for Commercial Union; £34.7m after £26m for Eagle Star; £43m from £16.8m for General Accident and improvements from £49.6m to £54.7m for Guardian Royal Exchange £13.2m to £25.5m for Phoenix £32.7m to £74.5m for Royal and a marginal growth from £35.6m to £39.1m for Sun Alliance.

Analysing individual group earnings on the basis of estimated premium growth per share and of profits as a pro-portion of premiums, Hoare recommend Eagle Star and Phoenix as attractive at current The brokers feel that Com-

mercial Union is fairly valued relative to others in the sector and that General Accident and Royal are undervalued against the rest of the equity market. Sun Alliance's large household insurance business and the pos sibility of unexpectedly high subsidence claims last year may hit its shares when the results are released. But any set back at that stage is seen as a buying

### Battle begins for LE & GT As if any further evidence was

needed that the rush for cheap investment trust assets is well and truly on, United Kingdom Provident is today expected to publish its bid terms for the £15m London Electrical and It will then emerge whether

or not a fight is to develop for LE&GT, for Guinness Peat, parent of merchant bank Guinness Mahon which manages the trust, has already submitted a bid of its own. A third bidder is also rumoured in the wings but may not be very serious. At the December year end LE&GT had a published net worth of 100p against a Guinness Peat paper bid valued at about 94p and a share price 12p up at 87p

Unlike the British Rail Pen-sion fund's bid for Standard Trust, this one looks like a scarcely concealed rights issue as far as Guinness Peat is concerned. The effect would be to buttress further a balance sheet which, in the 12 months to April 30 last year, was much strength-ened by the conversion of £9.7m of loan stack into equity, helping to lift shareholders' funds from £15.8m to £26.9m before market appears temporarily goodwill of £6.3m, against group mesmerised by the news of borrowings of almost £30m.

### **Hugh Stephenson**

## . not by bread alone

For the past several weeks Mr Roy Hattersley, who is responsible for prices and consumer affairs, must have wished he had beeded the military maxim that time spent on reconnaissance is never time wasted before he joined battle with bread and bread van drivers. For he rapidly discovered several unexpected minefields. Since he is a serious politician, Mr

Hattersley at once set about extricating himself intact. It now seems likely that the van drivers' union will desist that the van drivers' union will desist from administering the price of bread and in some supermarkets, if not in all, loayes may for a while cost a penny or two less than was previously the case. The surprises seem to have been various. First, as most corner grocers or institutional caterers already knew, the van drivers, while employing the tactics and rhetoric traditional of organized labour, operate for the most part as individual entrepreneurs of a particularly resourcesful kind. The part as individual entrepreneurs of a particularly resourcesful kind. The extent to which the prospect of an ugly outbreak of prices competition might seem a threat to their estab-lished modes of operation was unforc-

the near identity of view between the producers of bread and its distributors that more price competition would damage the industry and burt the consumer. When Whitehall calls for more competition and an industry for more controls, it all becomes a bit

And, thirdly, Mr Hattersley must have been surprised at the generally supine posture which the supermarker chains mostly adopted in the face of direct action by the van drivers.

All of this must have given Mr Hartersley food for thought. For example, while the issue could have been referred to the Monopolies Commission, there were clear enough practical and political reasons why he should shrink from such a step. In general, anyway, the Monopolies Commission is a somewhat cumbersome weapon to deploy. Its reports take years rather than months.

In addition, since the Cabinet, against the advice of Mr Hattersley's predecessor, took the decision not to refer the Tate and Lyle takeover of Manbre and Garton on grounds

other overriding public interest, his department has been faced with the need fundamentally to re-think the theory and practice of monopolies and

At the same time, Mr Hattersley has had to start discussions on what new regime is to replace the Prime Commission this summer. Almost everyone is agreed that simply to have another in the succession of price codes that have followed each other since the original was introduced by Mr Heath's government, with their rigidity and hugely detailed interference in a company's affairs, would be counterproductive.

It is for all these reasons that Mr Hattersley's mind has moved back to the good old Prices and Incomes Board. It excited great passions, for and against, when it was alive.

Under the mellowing influence of the years, however, there is growing recognition of the quality, speed and informal method of work it did and, as with the Industrial Reorganisation Corporation, a growing regret that it was so cavalierly killed. If a body of the right composition and authority

were established, it could meet many of Mr Hattersley's difficult points. It could be seen as the successor to the Price Commission and conduct pricing inquiries as appropriate. It could operate more flexibly than the Monopolies Commission. Above all in the area of monopoly and mergers it could be used to establish an entirely new approach. For all the theory and attempts to produce objective rules, the fact is that some monopolies are inevitable and some may well work in the public interest.

Equally, there are other industrial and commercial situations which are not monopolies in the technical sense, but which do not seem to be working in the public interest. In some, as with the bread dispute, more price competition may be a sensible suggestion. In others, like banking, price competition clearly has little relevance, though other kinds of competition may be important. be important.

A body like the old PIB could be used by Mr Hattersley and his successors to produce rapid and expert evidence on which future judgments of where the public interest lies could be made.

### Peter Hill on the crisis in shipbuilding Later today some of the most

### influential figures in Britain's shipping industry will troop through the door of No 10 Downing Street for a meeting with Mr Callaghan. The Prime Minister has called in the leaders of the General Council of British Shipping, led by Lord Inchcape, its president, to discuss how shipowners can alleviage the threat of serious unemployment in the country's hard pressed shippards later this year by placing some orders with them.

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Mr Callaghan, who will be flanked by Mr Edmund Dell, the Trade Secretary, and Mr Eric Varley, the Secretary of State for Industry, will use the occasion to demonstrate his own close identification with the problems of Britain's industrial base and to underline dustrial base and to underline dustrial base and to underline the Cabiner's worries about the prospects for the shipyards. The future of the yards remains in great doubt as a result of the much delayed and controversial plan for state ownership. The meeting is long overdue—originally both Mr Dell and Mr Varley were to

have seen the shipowners soon after the Christmas holiday. But there have been a number of developments over the past few weeks which suggest that today's meeting should be much more constructive than might have been the case some reeks ago. The Prime Minister will

appeal to the shipping fraternity to do what they can to bring forward orders to be placed with United Kingdom yards, whose order book is now at its lowest level for 10 But, apart from exhortation (which has brought forth little

in the past), Mr Callaghan can be expected to sketch out the shape of the carrot which the Government will hold out for the shipowners. It has in mind an intervention fund which will be available to shipyards to enable them to close the prices and those being offered by some of the British industry's competitors. Lord Inchcape and his team will point out that United Kingdom owners are a major

customer of the British in-dustry—last year they placed with it 300,000 tons deadweight of orders, four times the level they placed with the yards in 1975—and have a vested in-terest in maintaining a British shipbuilding capability. They
will repeat the familiar arguments that they must have
the commercial freedom to order on the most competitive terms with regard to price and delivery (and increasingly the nature and terms of credit facilities). shipping The industry

favours the concept of subsidies for yards, although the amount of money to be made available will almost certainly fall well short of the £100m considered necessary by the trade unions. Ministers can also be expected to outline the shape of the new state holding Japan's inroads into the world company and its initial person market—they secured 80 per nel—headed by a top civil cent of new orders last year—servant—which will be estab—as a threat to the very survival lished shortly.

## **Casting** around for a lifeline



shipowners de Downing Street. delegation

The Government will at last be seen to be doing something to support ship building. But the problems in Britain are inextricably bound up with the crisis which is afflicting the shipbuilding industry throughout the world. Absent from today's talks will be senior Department of Industry officials who will be in Paris for a further round of talks tomorrow on measures to deal with the crisis under the um-brella of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and De-

The European Commission's delegares to the OECD discussions (prompted and goaded by the United Kingdom delegates) have been attempting to persuade the Japanese to accept fifty-fifty sharing of available new orders. This the Japanese have rejected on the grounds that it would be unworkable and would run counter to the principles of free

Formal rejection of the idea will be given by Japanese government delegates to tomorrow's talks although there are clear indications that the Japanese, worried about a con-frontation with Europe on the shipbuilding issue, which could have far more widespread repercussions, will propose some new measures to try to maintain a conciliatory stance. Japanese officials were in

London at the end of last week for preliminary talks and they had further discussions with the French and German gov-ernments as well as with Com-mission officials. Europe sees market-they secured 80 per as a threat to the very survival of the European industry.

Owners have been attracted by the level of Japanese prices and the finance facilities. But in view of the concern

not to attract retaliation in other fields Japan's delegates to the OECD are likely to indi-cate Tokyo's willingness to exercise further restraint. This could well involve righter sur-veillance by Japanese government agencies of price levels and possibly an offer to restrain ship sales to certain countries. Such proposals would pro-

voke a mixed reaction, but there will be relief that the Japanese appreciate the strength of feeling in Europe. At all costs it is vital that the dialogue continues.

Japan has already taken steps to reduce its industry's

output, as has Sweden. In the weeks since the last OECD meeting governments throughout the Community have been working on their own schemes for support.

The Dutch have introduced a

finance package to encourage their owners to build at home and have also announced plans for a major reconstruction of the industry, which, if approved, would cost some £250m. Other governments, like that of the United Kingdom,

are working on interim support schemes, much to the chagrin of the Commission which has been arrempting to harmonize arrangements. The ability of the Brussels organization to produce a package acceptable to all sides is ques-tioned, and the dream of a Community home credit scheme could well take up to two years to formulate. Member governments are therefore being forced to deve-

lop their own domestic pres-criptions and the Commission has accordingly tightened up its own controls for monitoring aid schemes drawn up by member states. This is posing certain tactical problems for civil servants.

There is general agreement, however, that short-term subsi-dies should not become a permanent feature of shipbuilding schemes, although a large variety of subsidies are com-monplace among shipbuilding countries the world over. There appears to be a recogni-tion that the Japanese are now attempting to placate the European industries and the Commission is as anxious to avoid a complete breakdown in

the talks as the Japanese.

But what is desperately needed is some way of ensuring a more equitable share of the reduced volume of orders. This is a short-term problem and it seems that national aid policies, possibly followed by some Commission framework which could eventually sub-sume individual policies, is now inevitable. Even West Germany, which

with Denmark has resisted any moves to take unilateral steps, may well be pressed into adopting defensive measures to protect its industry.

British plans are well advanced, but while the short-

term requirement must be to gain new orders in the next three or four mouths, contraction of the industry in Britain and Europe is inevitable.

## 'Safety net' success brings train of problems for Bank The economic clouds over

Whitehall may have lifted a Bank's tactic was to try to hold Bank of England the sky has remained uncomfortably leaden.
Heavily criticized for its view on interest rates. Although handling of the foreign exchange and gilt markets last year, the Bandk is now having

to operate amid constant specu-

lation on a fundamental change in its future role. To cap everything, the past few weeks have seen it pitchforked into fresh controversy over its attempt to operate seemingly irreconcilable poli-

domestic money markets. Ironically, the root of the Bank's latest dilemma lies in December's success in stringing together the sterling "safety This meant that foreigners would not only stop selling pounds but might well start to buy them, particularly

in view of high British interest

cies in the foreign exchange and

rates. Given that the safety net and the ending of financing arrange-ments for third country trade were going to lead to a flow of funds in Britain's favour anyway, some argued that there was no reason to risk attracting hor money inflows, too. These could have been deterred by allowing sterling to appreciate and for by allowing a quick, sharp fall in interest rates.

sharp fall in interest rates.

Instead, it was decided, largely for export considerations, to stop sterling appreciating. It was also decided to go for a gradual decline in interest truly bizarre. The considerations here were

two-fold. First, there were still some potentially worrying months ahead, particularly over the span of the pay talks. Second, it was hoped to have interest rates still looking attractive as the Government moved into its funding programme for 1977-78. But for financial markets the

combination of an undervalued pound and unnecessarily high nterest rates was all too much. And with overseas money flowing in fast and driving interest rates down, there was no way that domestic investors, too, were not going to jump aboard the bandwagon. The result was a tidal wave

of money chasing any high yielding monetary instruments that offered the prospect of rapid capital appreciation. Against this tide the Bank tried to employ two main weapons. In the gilt market it

bumped up the supply of stock, culminating on January 20 in the issue of the jumbo £1,250m tap " stock. The idea was less to mop up renewed demand than to deter investors from investing in the first place. But things did not go according to plan. The issue was declared exhausted on the morning of January 27, investors were showing profits of 33 per cent in a week and the Bank was again under pressure pressure.

the Treasury bill rate is theoretically fixed by market forces, the Bank in fact normally exercises considerable influence over the rate through its hold over the main ten-de ers, the discount houses. By late January, however, the

di count houses were being beavily outbid for TBs by outsi le investors who were not under the same restraints as the discount houses. On January 28 MLR was forced down 1 per cent to 124

of the Bank, and last week it looked likely to be forced down to 111 or 112 per cent. Hence the Bank's attempt to short-circuit this by fixing MLR at 12 per cent on Thursday and suspending the TB/MLR This week will tell us if the

Bank's intervention will really work. Friday's Treasury bill tender would, in fact, have called for an 112 per cent MLR. and the key question now will be how the secondary market behaves this week. If it shows that it can work independently of Bank policy.

speculation is bound to grow about the possibility exchange controls on the 1971

With money being drawn into the gilt market at a time when the banks were under heavy seasonal pressure to finance

tax payments, the banking system was left facing a massive squeeze on its liquidity. As an ancient clearing banker might have remarked: Money, money everywhere, But all the banks did shrink; Money, money everywhere, The Government did drink.

In short, what happened was that the Bank sold massive amounts of gilts on one side and found itself hending beck vast sums to the banking system and discount houses on the order. On one day in December the Bank was said to have pumped up to £800m into the system by taking Treasury bills off the discount houses on a temporary basis. In late Japuary its daily assistance to the houses reached £1.000m on one occasion. and found itself handing back

£1.000m on one occasion.

The ending of the tax pay-

ment season will unwind some problems, but it may yet take fresh measures or a breakdown of pay talks to ease the pressures on interest rates. Whatever the outcome, the next few months are going to see plenty of debate on the appropriate longer term methods of implementing an economic policy that is sup-posed to be paying rather more attention to monetarist prin-John Whitmore

### Business Diary in Europe: EEC shuffle • Hot and bothered spoken member of the Govern- are becoming less prohibitive per cent while white collar

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mission. He takes over from

Renato Ruggiero, the recently-appointed chief spokesman. Other appointments to Other appointments to replace ailing or retiring director generals are expected 10 in the coming months. It is during this second reshuffle that Sir Roy is expected to go to Brussels.

Solar dispute Carlo Donat Cattin, the Italian Minister of Industry, has been at it again. The most out-

ment, he enjoys expressing views out of line with his Cabinet colleagues, whether it is over exchange rate policy, the building of the projected Giora Tauro steelworks, or the security aspects of the Fiat deal Now sparks—or perhaps sun-spots—are flying with the French over soler energy. Camin returned a few

days ago from a conference of 22 countries in Nice after openly disagreeing with his French hosts. The conference of mainly Mediterranean nations was convened by his French opposite number to discuss the application of solar energy. Ir was all "a commercial

marketing operation", said Donat designed to promote French technology in the Mediterranean basin. In consequence of his artitude, no Italian has joined the perma-nent international secretarist set up by the conference under French representative Jean Claude Colli.

Besides France, Italy is the country in the region which has made most progress in the application of solar energy, and the Italians evidently feel that the French will do their best to keep them out of foreign markets, especially as the costs

than a few years ago.
A group of Italian firms is going ahead, with help from the European Community, the European Community, with building a prototype electric power plant using a process financed by the National Research Council The state of corporation ENI has allocated 22m for applied research

Jobs share-out It has been clear for some time that the European steel indus-try is in crisis and that the

German plants are probably the worst hit of all. worst hir of all.

But few people can have thought that the crisis was so grave that it should pinch the purse of some of the industry's top managers.
That is what is happening in the Saar steel group Röchling-

Burbach.
The company has introduced short time working for virtually all of its 19,500 strong workforce and the upper manage-ment and members of the execurive board, whose actual working hours will not be curtailed, are showing solidarity by accepting corresponding reingly, the company's top management will take a proportionate cut in salary.

According to the Iron and
Steel Industry Federation in

workers will stay at home for one week out of four. Accord-

Dusseldorf there have been isolated instances in the past of bosses renouncing some of income in times of trouble. But the action of the directors at Röchling-Burbach is considered to be unpre-cedented in scale.

### Debts

Compensation for the wartime production for Nazi Germany of aircraft and naval vessels never in fact manufactured is the subject of Italy's latest polirical scandal. The press has been repro-

ducing photocopies of letters from the staff of prominent political personalities written in the early 1970s and calling for the prompt settlement of claims alleged to amount to over 30,000m lire (£20m).

Three wartime firms, the story runs-Caproni, Siai Marchetti, and Riva Calzoni-produced for the Germans between September 1943 and the end of the war several thousand military aircraft and a number of light naval vessels, but never received a Reichsmark in pay-But there is one flaw. The air-

craft and vessels never came off the production line. The authorities, it seems, got wind of this, and in fact only a small fraction of the claims has been This might have seemed all

past history, had not some of the letters—forgeries or not borne the signatures of per-sonal secretaries of two promi-nent Christian Democrats, Emilio Colombo and Giulio Andreotti. Colombo is no longer

minister, and temporarily out of the political fray. But Andreotti is Prime Minister, and speculation is circulating in Rome that the documents have been leaked at the present moment as a manoeuvre directed against him. Scandals of this sort are

nothing new, for months the public has heard tales linking payouts over the purchase of Lockheed aircraft with two Christian Democrat and one Social Democrat ex-ministers in a parliamentary investigation now in its closing stages.

If past experience is anything to go by, the latest scandal will probably make the headlines for a time-and then be superseded by another one.

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The formulation of anothe stage of incomes policy, to come into operation in the summer, will have the nature of an attempt to assemble a particularly complex jigsaw puzzle.

The complexity of the puzzle does not derive so much from the number of pieces, as from the extreme irregularity of their

Take, for example, one question sometimes mentioned as a possible item for inclusion, that of the consolidation of the two pay supplements which have arisen from the operation of the £6 policy of 1975-76 and the present 5 per cent, with a minimum of £250 and a maximum of £4.

The problem exists because the particular form which the last two phases of incomes policy have had. In both cases the pay increase was simply tacked-on as a new element of carnings, and it will be an intricate and uncertain business to integrate them into pay structures.

Two broad assumptions are widely made. The first is that at some stage the £6 supplement 1975-76 will have to be added basic wage rates, and that this will percolate through the earnings structure, adding to overtime rates, shift premia and so on. The effect of this will be to push up earnings signifi-

The second broad assumption is that the consolidation of the present phase of 5 per cent, minimum £2.50 and maximum 54, will be very much less extensive. Here the underlying thought is that because the fundamental expression of the policy is an increase of 5 per on total earnings, when this figure is applied as a per-centage to basic rates, and works its way through the overtime, shift and bonus rates, the end result should still theoretically be only the same as the original 5 per cent on total

Where the consolidation is of a sum expressed in cash, then the ultimate cost will be greater than that initial cash figure. Where the consolidation is of percentage the end product should still be that same perFor flat wage earners consolidation will have no significance?

But on that basis, it bas to be assumed that where, under the present policy, an indivi-dual or group of workers, is receiving not 5 per cent, but instead either the arbitrary minimum of £2.50 or the arbi-trary maximum of £4, this will be consolidated as a cash sum. and therefore will have a multi-

plier effect. It is not at all clear that any of these assumptions in fact constitutes a fundamental truth. Rather it seems to be that a presumption of truth is being created by repeated assertions of an assumption.

Thus, it is pretty certain that at some point the £6 will be consolidated into basic rates. producing a ripple through the whole earnings structure. whole earnings structure, though it is by no means apparent that this was absolutely inherent in the original formulation of the policy. In the case of the present

policy, it seems that there might well be scope for the employers to seek to minimize the cost of consolidation, or for the unions to seek to maximize the benefits, through the parway in which it is carried out.
What is certainly true is that

the effect of consolidation will vary encrmously from industry pany and individual to indivi-

For anyone who simply receives a flar wage or salary consolidation will have no practical significance. But the lower the proportion of total earnings accounted for by basic

wage, the greater will be the impact of the multiplier effect of consolidation.

Thus, it is perfectly easy to work our examples in which, for a particular group of workers, or for an individual, consolidation might produce an increase in earnings of, say, 7 per cent, For different industries to consolidate the £6 alone the cost might range anywhere between about 1.5 per cent and 5 per cent of the total

Such examples need to be set against estimates that consoli-dation would add about 3 per cent to the national wage bill, and it then becomes clear how very uneven would be its

This in turn explains why the call for consolidation arises only in particular quarters, for example among transport and engineering workers, who see the prospect of a substantial rise in earnings.
For the engineering industry

the two supplements have added an additional complication to an already hopelessly complex earnings structure. However, it seems highly un-likely that anything more than, at best, a token gesture of con-solidation will be attempted in the next stage of incomes

This is because there are so many other things which are seen to have greater urgency. such as the restoration of differentials and incentives, and the perceived need to give at least something to every worker. If anything significant is to be achieved in these directions, then there will be very little room for consolidation of the existing supplements if the total cost of the policy is not to be pushed to inflationary levels.

consolidation might Also. well work against other objectives of the policy. For example, it would benefit blue collar workers to a far greater exten than white collar, and would thereby further squeeze some differentials at a time when it is widely recognized that they have already been excessively eroded.

## Cutting the cost of business travel

Of greater concern than ever to the one and a half million or so British businessmen who travel abroad each year is to be able to get their tickets as cheaply as possible. Big organ-izations, such as ICI, employ in-house" travel managers to deal with company travel arrangements, while a growing number of smaller firms are looking to travel agencies to

Air fare structures have become so complicated that it is worthwhile for companies requiring even a few hundred overseas bookings a year toemploy an expert who can find ways of curting down the cost. The situation with air fares

is complex enough, but further choices have been introduced in the past few years with special inclusive tours outside the resort areas, designed for business travellers as well as holidaymakers.

Typically, these are packages of a week's duration or less to city centres, with prices incor-porating hotel accommodation, some meals and transfers to and from airports.

Prices can sometimes be sig-nificantly cheaper than if air tickets and accommodation are charte bought individually and separately, with the best bargains still to centres like years. Florence and Athens which have strong leisure attractions. For instance, a three-night stay in Athens can cost between £60 and £70 inclusive, whereas the standard excursion return air Also useful are the great number of even more specialist

packages, not widely publicized, linked to main conferences and exhibitions. A trip to Valencia for instance, if timed to coincide with the International Toy Fair, could cost £91.50, including two nights accommodation, against £144 for the ordinary economy class return air fare.

Business Traveller, a new quarterly publication produced

by Export Times Publishing, lists in its second issue, out last For travellers willing and week, several hundred trade able to commit themselves to fare and other packages. Many a fixed itinerary and to use

people do not realize that, unlike the old affinity group charter system used for transatlantic packages, there is no dishonesty in not attending the named event. It is simply a device used by the tour operator to negotiate group rates.

The disadvantage of most packages is that they involve travel either at weekends or on specific dates. Any last minute could more than cancel out the price gain. British Airways, by introduc-

ing Advance Purchase Excursion (Apex) fares at half price to the Continent albeit only to Greece, Turkey and Italy Greece, Turkey and Italy so far, is giving some extra flexi-To qualify for the discount tickets must be bought at least 30 days before departure and the minimum stay is of one or two weeks, depending upon

However, the Apex tickets can be used on scheduled services, giving a greater choice of departure and return times and dates, than charter flights and there is no tie to a particular hotel. Both Apex and the similar Advance Booking Charter tickets have been available on transatlantic and some other long haul routes for some

For business executives, who, like everyone else, are suffer-ing from the effects of the pay freeze, packages offer scope to combine a holiday with a business trip at no extra cost to themselves or their companies. several airlines also introduced

"spouse fares". Although, again, they are not widely publicized, they are available on most destinations within Europe and give a 50 per cent reduction on the first class or economy fare of the accompanying wife or husband. The maximum validity is five days and both must travel on the same day by the same carrier.

For travellers willing and

realize that, packages Business Traveller quotes large savings, typically of about 40 per cent on the overall cost of scheduled air travel and accommodation. Increased

among businessmen over paying full fare rates is creating problems for the travel agencies who service company business. Previously, companies used travel agencies for the service they provided in pur chasing tickets and accommodawith a single telephone

Now, besides the new demands for bargain rates, the agencies' customers are making extra demands for service. The full fare paying passenger's re-action to the wider scope of discount fares is to look for improved facilities, such as the ability to book the aircraft seat at the time of buying the ticket.

Airlines are actively talking of providing special sections in their aircraft for full fare payers. The aim is to give businessmen peace to work on the journey without distraction by holiday makers.

Travel agencies report a big change in types of business traveller over the past 10 years or so. Previously only senior sales executives and board directors took trips abroad and they usually travelled first

Today, middle managers, engineers and a wide variety of other service staff make regular journeys away from head office. Some have almost created commuter routes. Faster aircraft and more fre-

quent schedules obviate the necessity for many maintenance staff to live abroad. Today, although some increases in first class traffic are reported, mos companies opt for economy air tickets, except for long distances or for top management staff.
As a result, there has been a
big build-up of seasoned,
economy-conscious business travellers, who are starting to make their demands heard.

Patricia Tisdall

## Overseas pay: will the Revenue see the light?

the Exchequer who extends his hand with a crumb of concession in the palm, for he shall surely have his whole hand bitten off. That might well be the reaction of Mr Healey to the response which has been evoked by proposals for changes in the taxation of evoked Britons working abroad.

Shortly before Christmas the Chancellor announced that he believed it important to find ways of improving the tax treatment of employees living in this country, but working abroad. The proposed changes were embodied in a consulta-tive document issued by the Inland Revenue.

The response to the pronosals may be summarized thus: they were welcome, but inadequate.

Perhaps catching the rare scent of concession, such organizations as the Consultative Committee of Accountancy

Some measure of aggregation of short trips to qualify for tax relief should be allowed?

Bodies, the Institute of Taxa-tion, the Confederation of Bri-tish Industry and the Management Consultants Association came forward with some helpful suggestions.

It is clear that the authorities have been taken aback by the vigour of the response and somewhat plaintive complaints may be heard in Whitehall to the effect that people should recognize a consultative document when they see it—and appreciate that its contents are ideas for discussion, rather than firm proposals for legisla-

At all events a number of people are gaining the impression that the Inland Revenue is by no means deaf to the criticisms of its proposals. Perhaps the most strident and consistent criticism has centred around the proposal to exclude from tax relief all duties abroad of less than 30 consecutive days. By contrast, under the Revenue's taxation proposals, "where an employee performs his duties abroad for a continuous period of 30 days or more, he should be entitled to a deduction of 25 per cent of his employments for those duties if the period of absence is less than 365 days, and of 100 per cent if it is 365

ays or more".
But, it is complained, many Interim rise at Sterling business people spend large parts of the year abroad without ever being away for the minimum continuous period of 30 days required to qualify for tax relief under these propo-sals. It is also argued that brief, but intensive and fre quent, forays abroad, particularly by top people, may well be more arduous and disrup-tive of personal life than a

onger term posting. Therefore, some measure of aggregation of short trips to qualify for tax relief should be allowed.

There is much confidence that the Inland Revenue, the Treasury, the Chancellor and, ultimately, Parliament will see the force of this argument and that it may well be reflected in the next Finance Bill.

Equally, it is believed that the Inland Revenue may not be totally unmoved by the argument that it makes little sense to allow only a 25 per cent deduction for absences of up to 364 days, but 100 per cent for absences of 365 days or more.
There is some indication

that the Revenue might agree that a number of steps, leading up to the 100 per cent deduc tion after a year, might be a good idea.

With hopes apparently rising that the Inland Revenue's priposals will be amended on these and some other points it could be that by the middle of the year there will be a litrie more joy in the bearts of the businessmen who live out of suitcases in distant hotels.

department stores and

### The John Lewis Partnership Waitrose supermarkets

Estimated results for year ended 29th January 1977

Sales rose by 20% to £370 million. Department store sales increased by 18% to £219 million and sales in Waitrose supermarkets by 23% to £143 million. Profit after interest rose by 16% to £23.5 million.

Profit sharing. All the equity capital of John Lewis Partnership Limited is held in trust for the benefit of the workers in the business. The profits remaining after taxation, preference dividends, pensions and allocations to reserves are

distributed yearly among the workers as Partnership Bonus in proportion to their pay. This year the rate of distribution will be 15% (1976 13%).

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John Lewis Partnership Limited consolidated results	1976/7 £000's	1975/6 £000's
Sales (including VAT)	369,726	307,089
Profit after interest	23,524	20,266
Profit after tax and preference dividends	15,883	13,609
Pensions funds contributions	4,056	3,402
Partnership Bonus	6,435	4,736
Reserves	5,392	5.471

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### FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

## Insurance shares may have run out of steam but their future is good

Announcement of Allied

Brokers' views

in de Zoete & Bevan's invest-

Despite de Zoete's doubts about the main underlying

assumption of Allied's invest-

ment programme—that the boom conditions of the early

70s will be repeated during the

next few years-the firm says

now in anticipation rather

than contemporaneously with the boom as was the case last

time. Meanwhile, Allied is sig-

nificantly undervalued against

Following its 90 per cent interim profits rise to £16.1m, Inchcape, the international merchancing group, features among several brokers' recom-

potential thanks to Inchcape's

strong base in the growth areas of the Middle and Far

East and South East Asia. Hen-

derson says that President Carter's reflation moves should

provide an even better trading climate for the group and

strongly suggests purchases.

Galloway & Pearson's bullish

Corroon & Black Corporation,

groups in the United States will

increasingly develop to mutual advantage, Mr Glanvill Smith

pany's policy continues

He states that the com-

be one of expansion, both by the development of existing businesses and by acquisition.

The company seeks to acquire

businesses in existing locations in the United Kingdom and

overseas where by virtue of in-

creased unit size, greater oppor-tunity and profitability will be

new territories was being actively pursued and the inten-

tion is to increase the propor-

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emanating from overseas.

An extension of coverage into

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be bought for income.

Having been among the stock a period of consolidation is in market's top performers last store. year, insurance broking shares Breweries £164m investment plan has brought an about-turn have run out of steam in the past few weeks.

But although the sector's relative weakness is expected to last for a while, stockbroker. Rowe & Pitman thinks the shares will offer excellent buying opportunities over the next

In its first major review of ment thinking. The firm sug-he insurance broking sector, gests Allied shares should now the insurance broking sector. R & P expects an overall profits increase for the industry of around 60 per cent in the latest financial year. This exceptional growth owes much to sterling weakness, high inflation and high interest rates.

As these factors will not apply to the same extent this that it plainly makes sense to year the firm has written down make the major investments earnings growth estimates to between 20 and 25 per cent. "However, a continuing flow of encouraging news is imminent", it says "and insurance brokers are operating in a growth industry where many opportunities for innovation and expertise

Among a whole clutch of purchase recommendations. R & P suggests three states of the seas content groups, C. E. Henderson Crostmans, Season and Grieve-Beath, Minet and Sedgewick Lawrie. MacGregor and Grieve-son Grant all say the shares significant long-term & P suggests three high over-Forbes as well as the recently introduced Willis Faber.

Matthew Wrightson is seen as an interesting high yielding special situation, while among the remaining four companies. C. I. Bowring and Hogg Robinson seem reasonably valued. In view of the speculative element sales are recommended if takeover rumours reemerge. A Galloway & Pearson's bullish switch out of Alexander How-den is advised on the belief that graphic has already helped the

Best-ever £2.34m pre-tax from Glanvill Enthoyen

Glanvill Enthoven & Co. the who have owned 35 per cent of the equity capital of Glanvill international insurance-broking subsidiary of the Charterhouse Enthoven since September, 1975, merged in April, 1976, their business with that of Group, reports profits before tax for the year ended September 30, 1976, up from £1.55m to £2.34m. Brokerage income increased by 30 per cent to Synercon Corporation of Nashville, Tennessee. This relationship between Glanvills and one £8.61m. of the largest insurance broking

In his annual statement the chairman, Mr J. S. Glanvill Smith, tells shareholders that, for the first time, foreign currency earnings, which contri-bute to the United Kingdom's invisible exports, represented more than half (52 per cent) of the total brokerage income of the company.

However, due to inflation, subsidiaries in overseas countries have in some cases experi-enced difficulty in controlling costs and whereas their brokerage income has shown a good increase overall, profits showed within the United Kingdom continued to be conducted under difficult conditions, brokerage and profits increased.

Credit signals peak year With a reduction in interest cent in the half year. but.

profit of the Sterling Credit Group, Cardiff-based instalment the previous six months. An interim dividend of 5 cents a credit and banking services concern, rose from £80,000 to £140,000 for the half year to September 30, 1976. This was only £8,000 less than last year's share will be paid.

Moreover, the directors are confident that, in the absence the improvement in the group's profitability will be maintained in the second six months, despite

record interest levels, says chairman, Mr G. F. K. Morgan. If the half-year's figures were maintained in the second half. pre-tax profits for the year could reach a record £280,000. The interim dividend is raised by 10 per cent from 0.6p to 0.66p a share net, with the gross equivalent up from 9.23 per cent to 10.15 per cent.

With maintained profitability, the final dividend will also be increased by 10 per cent, the maximum permissible, over last year's final of 1.03218p, Mr Morgan adds.

Sterling Credit went public in 1972. It achieved record profits before tax of £176.000 in 1974-75, but dipped to £148,000 in the following year.

Highveld Steel

total of £148,000.

In the half-year to December 31, net income before tax of Highveld Steel and Vanadium Corporation of South Africa rose from R14.03m to R17.22m (about £11.5m). Highveld's issued capital rose by 16 per

Freight report

Chartering of tankers for the Gulf to Europe sailings continues to be very subdued with little firm business being arranged, little inquiry for new business, and a vast supply of available tonnage.

From the few vessels broked last week it is possible to gauge that rate levels are remaining stable at between worldscale 24 and worldscale 25. However, Shell fixed the 219,000 ton deadweight World Happiness for a Gulf to Europe voyage in mid-February at worldscale 23.5, perhaps indicating that some weakening in rates

imminent. A note of optimism about this year came from the major Hongkong-based tanker owner Y. K. Pao, chairman of the worldwide shipping group, late last week. He expects tanker

EVA/EDGE TOOL
Eva Industries has received and all group operating costs despite this increase in equity, from £1m to £926,000 pre-tax earnings per share showed a acceptances representing 95.87 per cent of preference stock of Edge Tool. Offer now unconditional. per cent improvement over

> Current market conditions make financial forecasting difficult, the board reports, but it expects Highveld to maintain a similar level of profit for the second half-year.

**BOC** International

Department has guaranteed a £6.2m loan which Lloyds Bank have made available to Vneshtorg-Lazard Brothers and Co now reports, on behalf of a consortium headed by BOC International and some invest-ment trusts in the Touche Remhank the Foreign Trade Bank of the USSR. The loan will help finance a £7.7m contract for cigarette-manufacturing and pack-ing machinery which Molins of London will supply to Techno-proimport, a state trading organi-zation. nant Group, that the offer for the 23 per cent of Datastream's share capital not already owned by the cons February 2. the consortium closed on NATWEST TAIKOO LOAN ECGD has guaranteed a £3.6m loan National Westminster Bank has made available to Taikoo Navigation Company of Hong Kong to help finance the purchase of an SD14 cargo vessel from Austin and Pickersgill of Sunderland.

Acceptances have been received for 106,679 new ordin-ary shares and 106,679 deterred shares. This represents 98.34 per cent of the shares for which the offer was made. The consortium now holds 99.75 per cent of the total capital of

William Jackson After new records in 1975-76, William Jackson and Son, the

baker, confectioner, meat product manufacturer and supermarket owner, is growing more Turnover bounded to £37.88m

in the 27 weeks to October 30 (from £30.86m in the first 26 weeks of the year before), pretax profits only edged forward from £949,000 to £958,000.

and laid-up tonnage to fall to around 25 million tons deadweight from the current 33 million tons deadweight level hy the end of the year. The force behind this improvement he claims will be an increase in

dent Carter. Mr Pao foresees that worldscale 32 will be the average rate for viccs in 1977 compared with worldscale 28.5 last year. That being the case, and going on their recent performance tanker rates have quite a climb ahead of them.

United States oil demand result-

ing from the policies of Presi-

In dry cargo trading, the American freeze is still hamper-ing grain chartering with brokers reporting that much of closed terms.

Despite an increase in the volume of fixing, brokers consider that the market is generally in a quiet mood still and any inquiry is readily being accommodated.

David Robinson

### Securicor. Decca, THF and The firm believes that growth prospects are good while there Dowty

are strong possibilities of further acquisitions over the next few years which would pro-

vide opportunities to improve

Making its predictions for the

forthcoming bank results season, Fielding Newson-Smith goes for £218m from Barclays,

£158m from Lloyds, £161m from Midland and £190m National

Joining the debate about the

widely expected rights issue from Barclays, Fielding says that there is no specific

balance sheet reason for such a

move. However it does not

believe an issue can be ruled

out if the stock market remains

buoyant since "opportunity" is an important factor.

On the precedent of the Nat-

West rights, Fielding says that if a healthy dividend increase

accompanies any such action there could be substantial switching from the other lead-

The broker says that high profitability gives Lloyds shares attractions though the yield is inhibiting while it is cautious of Midland's rating despite hones for improved earnings.

hones for improved earnings

It is also cautious of NatWest's heavy spending programme and

its relatively strong dependence on the United Kingdom

After their visit to the

After their visit to the Birmingham toy fair, Grieveson Granr analysts reckon three groups seem particularly likely to do well this year. These are Berwick Timpo, DCM and Lesney all of which are rated as strong holds.

Hewlett-Packard

A Scottish manufacturing plant, employing 700 people, is

helping to write a big profits

success story for the British-run

arm of an American multi-

throughout the world.

Pre-tax profits for Hewlett-

in the previous year. The im-

Mr Taylor said the main

reason for the increased sales was "strong demand" for the

specialized communications test

instruments designed by the

company's 80-strong research

and development department.

**Briefly** 

The Export Credits Guarantee

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LONDON & GARTMORE

Gross revenue of London and Garmore investment Trust for half-year to December 31 up from

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FRIDAY. Interims: Chr Tyler. Finals: Alexar Holdings and Chester W works Co.

### BHP caution

In the opening half yes November 30 Australian ge Broken Hill Pty stepped u net profits by 40.3 per ce \$A44.92m. Sales rose 18.9 Announcing more than doubled profits for the year to the end of October, Mr Dennis Taylor, managing director of Hewlett-Packard, a subsidiary of cent to a record \$A1,086m. the California-based Hewlett-But the directors do not t Packard Corp, said the sub-sidiary's plant at South Queensthis improved trend will tinue in the second-half to ferry was now at the top of the Mav. profits league among the group's 27 manufacturing plants An overall upturn in v trade has yet to occur, a

lack of orders is restrict steel plant and mineral of Packard Ltd last year reached tions. 55.9m, compared with £2.51m Steel operations went on provement came on sales of 36.63m, against £26.79m.

ing large losses, though the ticit dropped \$A7.7m. \$A18.9m.—AP.DJ.

SENTRUST Sentrust Ltd reports net is after tax, before investment actions, of R2.3m-for half-y December 31 against R2.61s

compared with the middle a Daily Official List on Feb 1 of 41p.

ISRAEL DISCOUNT Net income for 1976 re £115in (Israeli), which is £7.7m (sterling), compared E74 (Israeli). Assets rose by per cent to £26,809m (Is (52,472m sterling).

Wood Bastow Holdings has now bought Andrew Baron for £335,000 cash. Wood Bastow advised that rental valuation of the two modern factories of Baron to be kept exceeds their book values by sub-stantial emount. DENT FOWNES Trading since date of b sheet has been difficult beca reorganising some companie it will take time for benef appear. But it plans a max dividend.

ESTATES AND AGENCY
Estates and Agency Ho
have entered into an arrang with M. K. Morris and l Alkin, whereby each party 50 per cent stake in a new i ment and trading venture l as Diastro Limited. Estate as Diagro Laudett. Estates acquire Morris and Alkin's holding in Diastro on a fo basis, geared to profits the sideration for which will be fied by shares in Estates a

SCOTTISH UNITED Pre-tax revenue of Sc. United Investors for 1976 from £1.98m to £2.03m. gross payment raised from to 2.61p. Based on a valuan investments on December 31 ner assets available for on shareholders were £7 (£64.02m a year earlier), elent to 106p (90p) for ordinary 25p share.

696,000 to £101,000. Primary aim of the trust continues to be capital growth but increase in projected earnings a share enables directors to forecast a dividend for year of 0.77p gross (against 0.36p). NEWMAN INDUSTRIES
A letter has been sent tordinary, first preferred second preferred stockholde KINGSIDE INVESTMENT
Gross income for 1976 up from 137,000 to 1371,000. Gross payment up from 2.69p to 2.92p.

PENTOS
Pentos is offering a buy the 4.55 per cent preference shares in Austin-Hall Group at 621p cash.

## PERKIN-ELMER LIMITED

### INTERIM STATEMENT

The results for the six months ended 31st December, 19 : hased on unaudited accounts are as follows:-

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Profit before Taxation	460,778	348,766	748,6	
Less: Taxation Provision	239,605	181,358	327,0	
Profit after Taxation	£221,173	£167,408	<u>5421,6</u>	

An Interim Dividend of 20.0p (5.0p) per Share is declare which together with the imputed tax credit is equivalent to 30.7

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### **INCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS**

## nks hesitant over new issues

**Euromarkets** 

Finance NV was also increased

by \$10m.
Among other recent offerings,
a \$20m, 10-year issue of the
Republic of Iceland bearing 9.0

becoming reluctant any part of the new y underwrite in their writes AP-Dow

say this development at a significant discount at a significant discount at a significant discount the offering price, United the offering price, United States issues were an exception. A Swiss investment banker explained that demand for American Europond issues strong, mainly value.

are no longer willing on eventually being I the bonds and they t to be stuck with ries if interest rates n up", one dealer r, some dealers say increased to \$50m from \$40m.

r, some dealers say demand for Euro-The seven-year notes were priced at par bearing 8.25 per cent and traded in the secondary market at 98.75-99.25. Another recent United States issue of Occidental Overseas Vinance NV was also increased. flagging at the ven though sinking aptions and coupon ran in any other

say that this develop-tly accounted for by al investors switch-nto United Kingdom t bonds to take of high yields. erves went up by \$3 000m last month \$3.000m last month y \$1,000m to \$1,500m ow of foreign funds

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### Tread cautiously in note issue of Simpsons-Sears acceptance company bearing 9.0 per cent was withdrawn because of the deterioration in market base metal markets

However, Blyth Eastman Dillon and Co International SA said it was going ahead with an offering of \$C50m, seven-year notes of Beneficial Finance International Corporation. The notes, which are guaranteed by Beneficial Corporation, whose United States debt is "AA" rated, are expected to bear 9.0 According to one of the man-agers, the Beneficial Finance issue has attracted substantial

East, where investors are anxious to obtain good quality United States Eurobonds, which have no withholding tax. Among recent international Deutsche mark issues, a DM200m 12-year bond issue of Shell International Finance NV bearing 6.75 per cent was quoted at 98.75.99, down from issue price of par. A German dealer said that if the Shell per cent was quoted at 98-98.5 after being priced at 99.5 to yield 9.08 per cent. A \$50m, 15-year bond issue of Norsk Hydro, priced at 99.5 bearing 25 cer cent to yield 8.55 per issue, which is considered as the best quality obtainable, had difficulty attracting investment, then other offerings might be

hard to sell as well unless coupon rates were raised.

The scheduled Euromark offerings include a private placement of DM50m, 10-year Austrian government notes with a 6.75 per cent coupon rate, being arranged by Commerz-bank, and a DM100m, eight-year public note issue of Statsfore-tag, managed by Dresdner Bank. The Swedish state holding company's notes are expected to be offered at 99.5 bearing 7.0 per cent to yield 7.08 per cent. As of Friday afternoon, a manageable \$245m of public manageable \$245m or public
Eurodollar issues were
scheduled. AB Volvo, the
Swedish automobile company,
revealed plans to raise \$35m
through a 10-year bond issue
managed by Merrill Lynch
International and others. The notes have an indicated coupon rate 8.0 per cent. A purchase fund over the first four years

provides a theoretical average life of 8.5 years. Demand reportedly was good for a previously scheduled \$100m, seven-year note issue of

year's market euphoria both here and on Wall Street, base metal shares began the current year on a brighter note, pulled along to some extent in the industrial market's slipstream but also herefiting from forecasts also benefiting from forecasts that the world economic re-covery should at last get a fresh wind. And last week metal shares managed to shrug off the setback in the dollar premium (prompted by fears that sterling's strength may tempt the Government to ease some of the restrictions on overseas investment) consolidating much of their socilar ting much of their earlier gains.

Moreover, had Wall Street not gone off the boil this year we could well have seen base metal, aluminium and steel shares fulfilling many United States analysts' predictions and Jeading the market up on hopes of rising capital spending by industry.

Yet it has not happened and taking a more dispassionate look it is apparent that the real ingredients for a bull market in base metal producers are still a long way off. Special situations in the mining sector there may well be, in some of the minor, metal producers or energy related shares, for instance; but that will not entered the stance to the stance that we will not entered the stance to the stan hance the credibility of the whole sector which is still too volatile to attract the longer term investor

Many of the reasons why base metal shares are still in the doldrums are well-rehearsed: the hiccup in economic activity has slowed down the rate of stock-building

There are also nagging doubts about the intensity of the world recovery over the next 18 months. What also seems to me to

inhibit any sharp improvement in base metal shares at the moment is the thin trading in the sector so far this year, suggesting few investors have the conviction that shares are about to break out of their strait jacket. It's always worth remembering the narrowness of

## Mining

many mining markets, even some of the large houses, because of all the cross-holdings, and much of the high-jinks in tin was due to the thin, largely institutional market, the sector had become in recent years.
Yet there are more deeply

rooted reasons for taking a more jaundiced view of the whole jaundiced view of the whole mining sector. The big mining houses—we have seen it most recently with Anglo America's proposed takeover of Rand Selection but the other mining groups have been hard at it in other directions as RTZ's Canadian spruce-up (when will it look at its disparate Australian limbs?) and Consolidated Gold Fields downwarder dated Gold Fields down-underhave spent a dispropertionate amount of time over the last couple of years girding them-selves up for the increasingly bigger and riskier projects of

the future. So far as the United Kingdom houses go, it looks doubtful if, hemmed in by exchange restrictions, they can avoid becoming simply super-investment trusts relying more and more on dividend income—safe, steady ... and dull

Meanwhile, platinum-watchers may be taking heart from the resilience of the free market price although recent surveys of the market suggest that supply is plentiful enough to cope with future demand.

That was certainly the message in Sir Albert Robin-son's annual statement as chairman of Rustenburg. Even so, on the group's past record of getting the market wrong at almost every turn (which prompted GFSA's abortive efforts a year or so ago to gain more say in its marketing policy) I reckon a good sports-man's bet would be to go against Sir Albert's view.

## Men who 'pop up out of holes in the ground' to harass the LME

organization, Mr L E. J. Fos ter, vice-chairman of the committee of the London Metal Exchange, said at an LME cen-tenary forum in New York last

"We may be considered old-fashioned on the LME, but we do hold a passionate belief in the sanctity of contract, and this is something which, over recent years, seems to have become rather less highly-prized by many who ought to know

The trouble was that a lot of very well-intentioned but not very well informed outsiders just could not see the wood for the trees. They gave themselves sleepless nights, and the LME headaches, by repeated attempts, either by persuasion or by muscle-flexing, to overregulate the LME.

They do not see that by doing this they run the risk of stifling the only world-wide and completely neutral forum for pricing and trading in some of the world's most vital raw materials, and these bodies (busybodies or eager beavers)

(busybodies or eager beavers) seem to keep on popping-up out of holes in the ground." Mr Foster said that "regula-tion" was very much the in-word at this moment. "Though

it would be silly to deny that a tiny majority of cases do occur in which somebody could claim to have been badly treated, I must emphasize that the LME is properly proud of its high reputation for fair dealing and for flexibility."

Another of the LME's sources of strength was the extent to which it was international in its membership, which gave it a broader outlook than might otherwise be the case. This also gave the Exchange a truly worldwide communications and informa-tion "net", not only in the context of the five metals traded there, but for many

would be to go
Albert's view.

The main reason why more likely developments over the of these metals were not medium term, there was the increasing polarization of the

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Another reason, particularly in the case of aluminium, was the outside bodies he had mentioned. "Aluminium is a bit of a political animal and it seems there are some pretty influencial arrows (as consument as tial groups (at government as well as at industry level) who make it their business to see that a free market in this important metal does

### Importance of being in touch

It was useful and helpful to take every opportunity to dis-cuss the LME with experts in their field anywhere in the world and it was important to be in touch and on good terms with those who ran or made use of any other market.

Indulging in "a little bit of crystal gazing", Mr Foster said that in a hundred years' time the LME would still be serving the industry; but would have taken on a very different form from that to which all had

grown accustomed. There was also the possibility that it might not be located in London and that it might no longer be quoting its prices in pounds sterling. But these were only details and not the main point.

"What matters is not where the LME may be located or whether it quotes in dollars, IMF units of account or in brass buttons, but that it is still there doing its job of pro-viding a pricing, hedging and investment medium for all who care and may I suggest should—make use of it."

metals world—indeed, the whole world of basic commodi-ties—into large groupings. There were the producers and the fabricators for condifficulty in getting at a sufficiently standardized contract the rich countries and the poor countries and do not forget that not all the consuming countries are rich, nor all the producers exactly starving". All this had tended to com-

lesce the users of the market into larger groups, to the detri-ment often of the independent broker or merchant. "This is a pity in more ways than one; the independents, gave a bit of very necessary."

ginger to a market which might otherwise either go all one way, or die of sheer paral-ysis if producers and consumers were to match each other too evenly."

Supply and demand still moved in the same rhythm as before, but there were fewer; though noisier, voices moving with them. The middleman was being squeezed out and some-body had to take his place to provide the garger which gave the market a bit of life.

the market a bit of life.

Mr Foster thought that new independent elements must be encouraged into the market—the banks, invesiment organizations and speculators. Although speculation was nontrade business by strict definition, speculators lost just as much as they gained and in the nature of things it would always be the bona fide trade which had the last word.

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Among other forecasts were that the main trading contract for copper would be the cathode contract and not wirebars and that there would be considerably higher prices for all metals, due to the increasing standard of living in underdeveloped countries, the anticipated descriptions of the contract of the con ticipated demand from Chins over the coming decades and the diminution of the world's natural resources.

> Wallace Jackson Commodities Editor

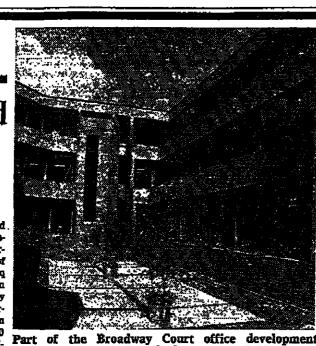
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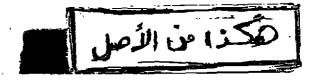
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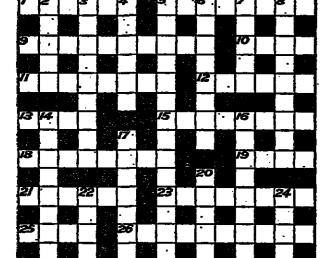
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